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THOSE OF US WHO SOMETIMES FEEL THAT WE HAVE LITTLE OR NO CONTROL OVER EVENTS -- THAT WHAT HAPPENS IS INEVITABLE -- CAN NOW TAKE HEART.

THE NO-CODE LICENSING FIASCO SHORT CIRCUITED

THERE WERE MANY CYNICS WHO FELT THE DECISION HAD BEEN MADE AND PROTEST WAS USELESS. WE NOW KNOW THAT THERE WERE MANY OTHERS WHO REFUSED TO PLAY DEAD--WHO PROTESTED--MANY GOOD QCWA MEMBERS FILED COMMENTS, QCWA PRESIDENT MEYER FILED FOR QCWA AS A WHOLE, ARRL AND OTHERS NEVER GAVE UP. THE RESULT WAS A DECISION TO RETAIN THE REQUIREMENT FOR KNOWLEDGE OF CODE OPERATION AS A CONDITION FOR AMATEUR LICENSING. TRULY THIS WAS A VICTORY BY THE GREAT MAJORITY OF AMATEURS MAKING KNOWN THEIR WISHES AND PROOF THAT THOSE IN AUTHORITY DO HEAR!

THERE MAY BE, IN THE FUTURE, OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE QCWA AND ITS MEMBERS MIGHT LEND THEIR STRENGTH IN BEHALF OF AMATEUR RADIO. THIS CASE HAS PROVEN THAT UNITY AND LEADERSHIP CAN DO A JOB.

FOR THIS REASON, IF NO OTHER, MEMBERS MUST CHOOSE OFFICERS & DIRECTORS WILLING TO WORK FOR THE WELFARE OF QCWA AND ALL AMATEURS. 1984 IS AN ELECTION YEAR AND IT'S NOT A POPULARITY CONTEST.

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*Serving One Year Term

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we enter a new year, 1984, QCWA, through its Officers and Board of Directors are pledged to do all in their power to make the Organization more meaningful, to see that it works to the benefit of its members and, of all of amateur radio. To this end, there have been established a series of active committees, charged with enlarging our contact with members, with finding ways and means of increasing service to each member and making QCWA a "can do" group of amateur radio people. A listing of the Committees and their membership appears in this issue of QCWA NEWS. It is their responsibility to carry out the work assigned to them but, it is also the responsibility of each member of QCWA to cooperate. Give them your ideas for improving QCWA. Don't sit on your hands...we need your input, no matter how small; it may be a significant idea or plan not previously thought of!

Under the plan established which insures that your Board of Directors has continuity, the Year 1984 will see election of five Directors. Nominees for the election are listed in this NEWS. A fervent plea went to members to nominate candidates by petition - none were received. It is hard to believe that there are no other eligible candidates for office willing to serve...if, however that is the case, Please consider carefully those nominated, campaign for them AND VOTE!

QCWA HONOR AWARDS

QCWA HALL OF FAME

1979	Mr. Ray Meyers, W6MLZ
1980	Mr. Bill Halligan, W9AC
1981	Mr. Barry Goldwater, K7UGA
1982	Mr. Jean-B. Wolff, LX1JW

QCWA ROLL OF HONOR

1980	Mr. John DiBlasi, W2FX
	Mr. Gus Gironda, W2JE

QCWA MEMBER OF THE YEAR

1979	Mr. Ed Trombley, W8CAM
	Mr. M. W. McRae, W9RC
1980	Mr. Lew Sieck, K4NE
1981	Mr. Herb Gleed, W6FQ

PAST PRESIDENTS

John DiBlasi, W2FX*	1947-1964
Earl R. Thomas, W2MM*	1965-1968
Clarence Seid, W2KW	1969-1971
Barry Goldwater, K7UGA	1972-1973
Frank A. Gunther, W2ALS	1974-1977
Harry S. Gartsman, W6ATC	1978-1981

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY/GENERAL MANAGERS

Ralph G. Barber, W2ZM*	1955-1964
Gus Gironda, W2JE	1965-1973
Ethel Smith, K4LMB	1974-1976

HONORARY MEMBERS

George E. Sterling	Peaks Island, Maine
Richard E. Wiley	Arlington, Virginia
Rosel H. Hyde	Washington, D. C.
Col. W. J. Baird	Alexandria, Virginia
Robert E. Lee	Washington, D. C.

1984 ELECTION NEWS AND COMMENT

THOSE NOMINATED FOR OFFICE OF DIRECTOR FOR 1984 ELECTION

The following QCWA Members have been duly nominated for Office of Director, QCWA, for the 1984 elections. Each of them have signified their willingness to serve if elected.

W1ICP (New Mexico)	Lew McCoy*	
W4AZT (So. Car.)	Wade Holland*	Palmetto #89
N4MM (Virginia)	John Kanode	Shenandoah Val #137
W5APX (Texas)	Arthur Kay, Jr.	Golden Triangle #51
W5HD (New Mexico)	Hugh Winter	Roadrunner #94
W6BDE (Calif.)	Esther Given*	No. California #11
W8DWT (Ohio)	Carl Yeager	Dayton/Cincy #9
W8KW (Florida)	Art Miligan*	Suncoast #53
KA9DYS (Illinois)	Ero Ericson	Chicago Area #2
W9VQD (Wisconsin)	J. Travis Baird	Wisconsin #55

The nominees were all chosen by the Nominating Committee headed by Onie Woodward, W1ZEN. There were no nominations by petition.

One candidate, Ronnie Durham, W5ATB, withdrew his name from the list of nominees stating that it was his opinion that there were too many candidates living in the 5th call district. (*) indicates incumbent candidate.

1984 ELECTION

The 1984 election will feature election of five Directors who will serve for two-year terms. No Officer positions are open in the even-year elections.

The official ballot will be sent to all eligible members in connection with the May issue of QCWA NEWS. There will be a section of the NEWS devoted to presentation of biographical material and/or statements from each of the candidates. This will allow you, as a voter, to judge which, in your opinion will more nearly represent your views if elected.

The ballots will be sent out no later than May 15, 1984, polls will remain open through July 31, 1984. Ballots will be tallied and results will be published in the FALL issue of QCWA NEWS. Each candidate, successful or not, will be notified by Headquarters as to the outcome of the balloting no later than August 15, 1984, by telephone.

MEMBER RESPONSIBILITY

In this year of balloting, QCWA, like every other organization, will rise or fall in a nearly direct proportion to the willingness of its membership to participate in selection of those who will guide its destiny. Consider, if you will, some of the following:

Whether you inform yourself as to the qualifications of candidates or not, QCWA will likely continue to exist but, if you consider their attributes and see to it that only the best are elected, then QCWA will grow and prosper.

Even though you have only one vote, it is important that it be expressed by your ballot, properly marked and filed. If you are choosing wisely, the odds are that you will have many others of like opinion, thus assuring a successful election. If you choose is poor, or not in accord with the majority, you have expressed discontent and will make others at least pause to consider why your vote was cast.

Please, for the sake of QCWA, give due consideration to the information about each candidate which will appear in the Summer QCWA NEWS along with your ballot. After your choice is made, bring it to fruition by marking and mailing your ballot early. QCWA will be what you make it!

THE 1984 QCWA ELECTION MATERIAL, CANDIDATE INFO AND BALLOT WILL BE IN THE SUMMER QCWA NEWS!

STANDING COMMITTEES APPROVED, SEPTEMBER 30, 1983, DENVER, CO

In the following list, the first name on the Committee has been designated Chairman. Those following are assistants.

1. ACTIVITIES Committee; Wade Holland, W4AZT; Wes Randles, W4COW.
2. ARRL LIASON; Leland Smith, W5KL; Harry Dannals, W2HD.
3. AUDITING; Leland Smith, W5KL; Wes Randles, W4COW.
4. AWARDS; Hal Sears, W5NC; Leland Smith; W5KL, Ralph Hasslinger, W2CVF; Beth Taylor, W7NJS.
5. CONVENTIONS; Lew McCoy, W1ICP.
6. EDUCATION; Ron Hesler, VE1SH.
7. FCC LIASON; Stuart Meyer, W2GHK; Ethel Smith, K4LMB.
8. FINANCE; Leland Smith, W5KL; Wes Randles, W4COW; Wade Holland, W4AZT.
9. GOLDWATER BILL IMPLEMENTATION; Stuart Meyer, W2GHK; Leland Smith, W5KL; Lew McCoy, W1ICP.
10. HANDBOOK; Ethel Smith, K4LMB.
11. INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES; Gerhard Jacoby, DL3ME, Ron Hesler, VE1SH.
12. LONG RANGE PLANNING; Leland Smith, W5KL, Harry Dannals, W2HD; Lew McCoy, W1ICP; Art Miligan, W8KW; Ethel Smith, K4LMB.
13. MEMBERSHIP; Harry Dannals, W2HD.
14. NOMINATIONS GUIDELINES; Art Miligan, W8KW.
15. PUBLICITY; Esther Given, W6BDE.
16. SCHOLARSHIP; Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ; Esther Given, W6BDE.
17. VEC (ad hoc); Stuart Meyer, W2GHK; Leland Smith, W5KL; Lew McCoy, W1ICP.

In one of his very last letters written to QCWA President Stuart Meyer, Vic Clark, W4KFC, wrote of the need for a prestigious organization to mount a campaign to improve amateur practices. Vic was an avid operator and was just as aware as you or I of the current state of obscenity and otherwise ungentlemanly language that is present on the air continuously. Vic spoke of this, and of the all too prevalent occurrence of malicious interference caused to other amateurs, of the sometimes cavalier attitude of amateur nets, who often take the attitude that a frequency belongs to them...the problems are legion, and they seem to be getting worse.

Vic pointed out that QCWA was probably the very best equipped to establish a program of education...a program of cooperation, and establishment of goals which eventually might reduce and eliminate these problems from Amateur communications.

Many of we old timers took an oath not to use profanity on the air each time we were licensed. Now, we may blister a mule in private, or among friends, but not on the air. This is not a request based on religious mores, but simply based on gentlemanly conduct. If you can see a place for QCWA in such a role, as leader to improve our image before the world, write your ideas and your opinions to HQ. We will see that it goes to the right place for serious consideration.

THE EDITOR'S CLOSET

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION 3, OF THE BY-LAWS OF QCWA, A SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 30, 1983, MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WAS PUBLISHED IN VOLUME 32, Number 4, OF QCWA NEWS (WINTER, 1983 ISSUE). MEMBERS WISHING A COPY OF THE FULL MINUTES OF THE MEETING ISSUED IN PRELIMINARY FORM MAY OBTAIN THEM BY WRITING HEADQUARTERS AND ENCLOSING A FULL-SIZE SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH POSTAGE ATTACHED (CURRENTLY 37¢).

THE Q C W A BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL MEET IN DALLAS, TEXAS, APRIL 6 & 7, 1984. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE RAMADA INN, REGAL ROW AT HIGHWAY 183 (Formerly the LeBARON HOTEL).

THE BOARD IS EXTENDING ITS INVITATION TO MEMBERS TO ATTEND A SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION WITH THE BOARD. AT THAT TIME YOU WILL BE ABLE TO GET ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS AND TO VISIT AND GET TO KNOW THE OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF YOUR ORGANIZATION.

A HEAVY AGENDA OF WORK WILL BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE BOARD AT THAT MEETING, COMMITTEE REPORTS AND PLANS FOR THE FUTURE. YOU ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

A SPECIAL PROGRAM OF EVENTS FOR THE AFTERNOON IS PLANNED AND WE ARE CERTAIN THAT YOU WILL ENJOY IT GREATLY.

SINCE THE MEETING SPACE IS NOT LARGE, WE REALLY NEED TO KNOW HOW MANY WILL BE THERE SO THAT SPACE WILL BE AVAILABLE. IF YOU CAN COME, DROP A LINE TO US AT HQ AND THUS PERMIT US TO PLAN FOR YOU & MAKE CERTAIN THAT NO ONE IS LEFT OUT BECAUSE OF SPACE LIMITATIONS.

QCWA OFFICE SCHEDULE

JANUARY	JULY
Jan 1, All candidate nominations at HQ for FEB QCWA NEWS	July 10, Deadline material for QCWA NEWS
Jan 5, Deadline material for QCWA NEWS	AUGUST
Jan 25, Feb News to PTR	Aug 1, Election polls closed
FEBRUARY	Aug 5, Tellers report to GM and President
Feb 15, Publish QCWA NEWS	Aug 15, GM notifies candidates by telephone
MARCH	Aug 15, Aug. News to PTR
Mar 1, Determine eligibility of all candidates	SEPTEMBER
Mar 5, All candidate bio-material at HQ	Sep 10, Deadline material for QCWA NEWS
Mar 10, Deadline material for QCWA NEWS	OCTOBER
APRIL	Oct 1, Report Nom, Comm. to President & GM
Apr 20, May news to PTR Inc Cand. material and ballot	Oct 10, Nov News to PTR
MAY	Oct 30, Call for Membership nom. petitions--QSO PTY rules Publish QCWA NEWS
May 10, Publish QCWA NEWS*	NOVEMBER
JUNE	DECEMBER
	Dec 31, Membership petition deadline

*Absolute deadline for publication is May 15. All other dates are tentative and subject to minor variations.

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Art Miligan, W8KW, Director 2120 W. Crest Road, Englewood, FL 33533	813 474 4129
Wade Holland, W4AZT, Director P. O. Box 116, Greenville, SC 29602	803 233 8551

THE AGENDA FOR THE BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD IN DALLAS ON APRIL 6 & 7, 1984, IS BEING PREPARED AT THIS TIME. THERE IS STILL TIME TO ENTERTAIN REQUESTS THAT THE BOARD DISCUSS ANY SPECIFIC MATTERS. IF YOU HAVE SUCH A REQUEST, WRITE TO HQ IMMEDIATELY, LISTING THE ITEM YOU WISH DISCUSSED, AND GIVING BACKGROUND ON THE MATTER, I.E., YOUR REASONS AND INPUT REGARDING THE MATTER OF INTEREST.

THIS SESSION IS CERTAIN TO BE A BUSY ONE, BUT THE BOARD WILL CERTAINLY ENTERTAIN YOUR REQUEST IF POSSIBLE.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE VARIOUS QCWA AWARDS WILL BE OFFERED TO THE BOARD AT THAT TIME. YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE AWARDS COMMITTEE, HAL SEARS, W5NC....DO IT PROMPTLY BECAUSE TIME IS EXCEEDINGLY SHORT FOR THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY AND MAKE ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD.

QCWA MEMBERSHIP DUES SCHEDULE, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1983

Term of Membership	US Members	Mexico & Canada	Members Overseas	Family Members
3 Years	\$25.00	\$34.00	\$17.00	\$10.00
2 Years	\$20.00	\$26.00	\$15.00	-
1 Year	\$12.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	-
Life	\$125.00	\$170.00	\$85.00	\$50.00
LTP*	\$135.00	\$180.00	\$95.00	\$60.00
Payments	(3 @ \$45)	(3 @ \$60)	(35, 30, 30)	(3 @ \$20)

*If Life Time Payments are not completed in one year, all funds received are used to extend regular membership at the lowest current rate.

New Members are required to pay a one-time \$3.00 charge as initiation fee, in addition to the schedule of dues above.

MEMBERSHIP FEES PAYABLE IN U. S. FUNDS ONLY!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOOL RADIO CLUBS DESIRABLE!

Education of today's youth is important. In an effort toward attracting the interest of young people in scientific endeavors, I am proposing that experienced amateurs take an active part in establishing and maintaining amateur radio stations and amateur radio clubs in the junior and senior high schools of this land.

QST of November, 1983, features Amateur Radio in the Classroom (Page 62), and a worthwhile feature it is. I have visited Joe Fairclough at his station in Public School 22, on the lower East Side of Manhattan. I was impressed with his class of Amateur Radio English.

I am a graduate of a high school which had an active amateur radio club and station. Some of the members, with their call-signs were: Merle Ludwig, W9IKL; Roger Barton, W9LOG; Lloyd Preston, W9LN; and myself, then W9LNX, plus many other I do not know, have all had careers in electronics. This says something about the impact of a good amateur radio club on our lives.

The establishment of school radio clubs and stations is a movement especially meaningful for members of QCWA. We are the people who should be deeply involved in it.

-Paul L. Schmidt, W9HD, PO Box 105, Bloomfield IN 47424.

As Paul has stated, this is an area in which QCWA could be a potent force. Read the QST story referred to - consider that the National Headquarters of the Boy Scouts of America, located in Irving, Texas, has undertaken establishment of such a project here, in cooperation with members of Hurst Amateur Radio Club. If you feel this is a good area for QCWA, notify your directors of your interest. Efforts in this direction for schools in less affluent neighborhoods might just provide the needed impetus to keep some of our young men and women interested participants and better citizens down the road.

- Editor -

"Your opening paragraph on the late Victor C. Clark, W4KFC, in the Hot Line Report which came today was very appropriate and timely. I would like to add some comments to what ever might be written in QCWA about Vic:

I had known Vic Clark for fifty years and remember many memorable radio contacts with him in the thirties, when he was W6KFC. He and Hester visited us in July as they were returning from their West Coast trip, and Vic and I talked for hours about the past, present and future of amateur radio. It will be a long time before there is another radio amateur as proficient, as courteous and as devoted as Vic Clark was as an amateur. He was in my judgement the finest CW operator amateur radio ever produced...his always gentlemanly conduct on the air will remain as an example for all amateurs for all time to come." Leland Smith, W5KL

Leland's letter expresses what we all feel in our hearts... Vic was a gentleman in all that he did...we shall not soon see his equal.

INLAND EMPIRE CHAPTER No. 130

Inland Empire Chapter No. 130, held its fall-winter meeting Saturday, November 5, 1983, at March Air-Force Base Officers Club, with 70 members, wives and guests in attendance. New Officers for 1984-5 were elected as follows:

K6PG, President

N6GOT, Secretary/Treasurer

The Chapter founding officers, K6SS and W6EKM, and all of our chapter members wish them continued success.

Our speaker, W6BUK (one of very few 60-years continuous ARRL membership and 60 years QCWA Award) gave a very fine review of his years in amateur radio.

Chapter members approved a 1984 gift of \$25 to the QCWA Silent Key Memorial Fund.

- Walt, W6EKM -

SOME QCWA MEMBERS MAY NOT BE AWARE OF A SPECIAL EVENT THAT OCCURS EACH JANUARY AND SEPTEMBER...IT IS THE "CLASSIC RADIO EXCHANGE"...READ ABOUT IT BELOW, PERHAPS YOU WILL WANT TO TAKE PART.

- Ed. -

...I'd like to invite all QCWA members to join in the fun of the Classic Radio Exchange. The object of the "CX" is to restore, operate, and enjoy older equipment with like minded hams. Twice yearly on the last Sunday in September and January, we meet from 4 to 11 PM, Eastern Time, mostly around 7060 and 3560 CW. We carry on a friendly contest whose scoring rules can usually be found in the contest announcements in the January and September ham magazines. An even better source of information is the Classic Radio Newsletter sent out shortly before each running of the "CX" to anyone who forwards an SASE to Stu Stephens, K8SJ, 1407 Hollywood Road, Sandusky, OH 44870.

You are welcome to join in for anything from a few minutes to the entire time. A "Classic Radio" is at least ten years old, more fun, but not required to operate in the CX. You'll hear old favorites like Vikings, DX-100's, Collins 32-V's and Meissner Signal Shifters...and, you'll be copied on receivers like HQ-170's, HRO's, RME-69's, SX-28's and more.

So, warm up an old command set or whatever and join us. We'll be calling "CQ CX" and listening for you."

73 and CU on the CX

Jim Hanlon, W8KGI

COMMENT ON NO CODE LICENSING

"Back in the very early 1930's in Birmingham, AL, two high-school students who lived about six miles apart were bitten by the amateur radio bug. They likely caught it from handling galena crystals with cat whiskers while listening to BC stations. But they determined to obtain their ham tickets and did so through self taught code lessons, home made copper tank coils, 201A tubes, grid leaks and chewing-gum condensers. One student was licensed as W4AGI, the other was W4BFP. They earned their tickets the hard way by almost flunking their high school finals.

Today's teenagers are a lot smarter than those two were 53 years ago. Today's students have the know how to phone patch their home computers into the computer bank at the Los Alamos, NM AEC, or into the computer at the Sloan-Kettering Memorial Cancer Center, in NYC, so report newspapers. Being that smart, a new prospect for a ham ticket should have no trouble learning to send and receive morse code.

To finish the story, W4AGI became W5KL and W4BFP became W2FRX. We still 'keep in touch' and if you want to use this recommendation against a no-code license you are welcome to do so."

Robert H. Scruggs, W4BFP/W2FRX.

It appears that for the time being the FCC has "seen the light" and has given up on its proposal to adopt some form of licensing for amateurs without a code requirement. We are certain that efforts of QCWA, ARRL and countless amateurs who took the time to advise the Commission of their feelings brought about their change of heart.

If you want to sound-off, to be heard, here's the place to do the job. We'll print your comments, sans profanity, on this page, space permitting. Editing, if done, will be to fit the space available and not to quote you out of context.

Why not contribute your thoughts to membership, and to the Officers and Board...get it off your chest and, maybe you might have a whale of an idea for QCWA....let's hear it all. Deadline for material to be published appears in the schedule printed on the editorial page, for each issue of QCWA NEWS.

LAKE ERIE TRI-STATE CHAPTER 122

L.E.T.S TALK

Events of much of the past year must be communicated to members of Chapter 122 in the form of a chronology due to problems at our copy source. The annual picnic was held August 6, 1983, at Doc Baxter's (W3YWL) summer home on the shore of lake Erie. Howard Mac Ivor, W3AOY, and Charlie Willett, W1ESP, were awarded Fifty Years Golden and Continuously Licensed Certificates.

Shown in the picture below, those who were attending the August Picnic: L-R, they are: W3NRU, W3ARO, W3MJV, W3AQY, K3ABG, W3STK, W3MMJ, W3QN, W3RUL, W1ESP, W3QWL, W3SN, WB3IEY.



August 20, 1983, was KL7AVX day as old acquaintances from years ago when Mac resided in Erie, held a welcome at the Oakwood Cafe. Mac and his XYL Evelyn spent a few days at our QTH enroute to England.

October 29, was our fourth annual meeting at the Brown Derby Restaurant in the Millcreek Mall. 1984 Officers were elected at that meeting. Those who will serve in 1984 are:

Chuck Garrigus, W3NRU, President - John Guthrie, W3GJ, Vice President - Evelyn Baker, W3JQV, Secretary/Treasurer

Thanks to my XYL, Doris, who was born in the United Kingdom, which qualifies me for associate membership in the Ex-G Radio Club.

- Paul, W3OPP -

Overseas 'hams' finally get together

LAKELAND, Florida
Charles Chapman is still a ham.

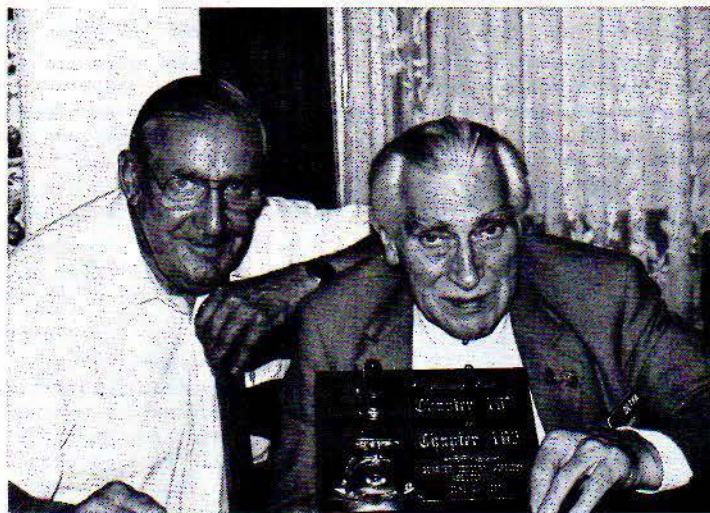
That doesn't mean he craves the limelight; it means he's still an active amateur radio operator.

Mr. Chapman, who retired from Mobil Chemical Company in New York in 1973 as manager of technical services for what was then the Minerals Division, was first featured in *Annuitant News* Number 1, 1982.

He is a member of the Lakeland Chapter (107) of the Quarter Century Wireless Association (QCWA). Two years ago he organized a weekly "meeting" over the airwaves with fellow ham radio operators in Germany, members of Chapter 106.

Conversations have been going on regularly for nearly two years, and this past June Charles finally got a chance to meet the people and see the faces that belong to those now-familiar voices.

"It all started in January with a conversation with Jean Wolff in Luxembourg," Charles recounts. "He was going to have a meeting of members of Chapter 106 at his home and he invited me to attend. After a very short conference with my wife, we decided it would be fun to meet everyone we had been talk-



Charles Chapman (left) with Hans Schleifenbaum, president of Chapter 106.

ing to. To make a long story short, we flew to London, visiting relatives in England for a few days.

"One of the thrills was an 'eyeball' meeting in Chichester, England, with G4SVB, whom I had talked to on the air early in June. My call letters are

W4SVB, and the coincidence is even greater when you realize that W is the reciprocal of G in Morse Code.

"Next we went to Friedrichshafen, West Germany. There we met with 13,000 other hams from Europe,

Africa, and Australia at the German Amateur Radio Club's annual meeting. It was here that we first met the 75 members of Chapter 106.

Jean Wolff, who extended the original invitation, met us here, and after three days went with us to Heidelberg, then on to Luxembourg and finally to Waldrach, a quaint German village, where we attended a day-long meeting of just Chapter 106 members. I presented the president of the group with a plaque from Chapter 107 in Lakeland and conveyed our greetings.

"The meeting moved on to Jean Wolff's house. Jean is involved in the champagne business, and he had 50 bottles of champagne ready for us, with another 100 bottles on ice. An interesting note is that Jean was inducted into the QCWA Radio Hall of Fame in Denver on October 1, only the fourth person to be so honored.

"Topping off this wonderful excursion of ours was the return trip home. We sailed to New York from Southampton, England, on the *Queen Elizabeth 2*."

Sounds like Charles, who first became interested in amateur radio operation over 60 years ago, has good reason to keep hamming it up.

The above story is reprinted with permission from *Annuitant News*, a Mobil Oil Corporation publication for retirees. The story is appropriate for this time. Since the visit made by Charles, Hans has passed away.

QCWA Chapter 107 has carried out continued meetings, on the air, with our International Members in Europe for which we are very proud.

- Editor -

MEMORIAL FUND REPORT

FEVER GAUGE

THOSE LISTED BELOW HAVE MADE GIFTS TO THE QCWA SILENT KEY MEMORIAL FUND DURING THE TIME JULY-DECEMBER, 1983. THE AMOUNT OF THE GIFTS MADE DOES NOT APPEAR. WE HAVE SHOWN THE TOTAL GIVEN BY INDIVIDUALS BY CALL DISTRICTS, WHERE MEMBERS, AND BY NAMES, WHERE THEY ARE NON-MEMBERS. THE TOTALS GIVEN BY CHAPTERS APPEARS ALSO. THE TOTALS FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 1983, WERE PUBLISHED IN VOLUME 32, No. 3, OF QCWA NEWS.

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In this following list, donors are listed by call. Where the gift has been made in the name of another QCWA Member, their call is listed in *italic*.

KA2EI0, (W2CJX), W3SVT, K4RF, (W2AOS), AD4F, (W4ESQ), K4JRB, (W4WHN), W4KFC, (W4WHN), W4COW, (W4WHN), WA4BSK, (W4WHN), K4VGD, (W4WHN), N4TK, (W4WHN), W5CR, W5SU, W5KL, W5KL, (W4WHN), W6QLO, W6QIR, W7OBH, W7LVN, W7NJS (W4KFC), W8IHR, W9JNH, (W9CI), W9DU, W0OGZ, W0GFQ, Harriett Speir, W0IH, W0IWV, W0FIR, (W4WHN), W0GFQ, (W4WHN), W0PEX, (W4WHN), LX1JW, SV0BT, W9PRN, (W4WHN).

Total of the gifts received was \$1082.00

In the following list, individuals, not necessarily amateurs, or members of QCWA, are listed, who have made memorial gifts in memory of another:

GIFTS MADE IN MEMORY OF Charles Biele, W2AOS

Iris C. Rawls; Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Biele; Mr. & Mrs. C. S. Heim, Jr; Mr. & Mrs. Ernest W. Neal; Mr. & Mrs. Bayard Allen; Office, Chief of Naval Operations, USN; Linda E. McDowell; Retirement Club of Grand Strand; Archibald Rutledge Club; Mrs. Hawes Clatt; Mr. & Mrs. John W. Roehl; Francis P. Opalko; Rev. & Mrs. Gerald H. Catlin; Mrs. J. W. Rickman; Mr. & Mrs. Lindsey H. Vereen; Evelyn Redfern.

Total of the gifts received was \$627.50

OTHER GIFTS RECEIVED

Marie Gilmore, (W2BWN), Cabarrus Amateur Radio Club, (W8JUP), Radio Club of Knox County, (WB4DDJ, KD4LK, W4NBV), Charles A. Haas, Dorothy Harrison, (W5LR), Mrs. Robert Cresap, (W9MQ), Kenneth & Kathryn Whipple.

Total of the gifts received was \$355.00

GIFTS MADE IN MEMORY OF MAX ARNOLD, W4WHN

Eleanor J. Arnofsky; Mrs. Sarah McCanless Howell; Mr. & Mrs. Edward G. Miller; Ethel M. Smith, K4LMB; Miss Rose A. Harris; F. A. & Adele B. Tinsley; Earl Swenson Associates, Inc; Nashville Scottish Rite Bodies; Mr. William P. Sutherland; Mrs. Nancy L. Sutherland; Janice C. Herish; Mrs. Gerda Loewenstein; Sally and Henry Wolkoff; Dr. & Mrs. John G. Herzfeld; Mr. & Mrs. Gabe E. Allen; American Constructors, Inc; Rodgers Constructions, Inc; Ellen & David Levy; Howard and Sheri W. Kershner; Mr. & Mrs. B. Frank Williams; Leland and Helen Smith, W5KL/WA5WAR. Mrs. Catherine K. Wilkins; Mr. & Mrs. Earl Kirshner; Mr. Robert E. Corenswet; Mr. Victor C. Clark, W4KFC; Radio Amateur Transmitting Society; Mrs. Curt Freudenthal; Ms. Lisa A. Lapidus; Mr. Harmon T. Sharp, K4WWQ; Louisiana Council of Amateur Radio; Mr. O. D. Keaton; Mr and Mrs. Wesley C. Randles, W4COW/W4GXZ; Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ; Alvin H. Smith, W0PEX Nashville Dog Training Club, Inc; Wm. D. Gehres, WA4BSK; Charles E. Curle, AD4F; Butch Smith, N4TK; J. R. Hawkins; J. M. Whitson; East Tennessee Chapter of QCWA.

Total of the gifts received was \$1686.00

GIFTS MADE BY CHAPTERS OF QCWA

Dallas Chapter 41, (W5EXW, W5XX);
Pittsburgh Chapter 6, (W3KVG)
NESCOM
Dallas Chapter 41, (K5GS)
Piedmont Chapter 126, (W8JUP)
Citrus Chapter 45, (W4LUK)
SE Florida Chapter 12, (W4BTM)
Palmetto Chapter 89, (W2AOS)
Southern California Chapter 7,
QCWW Chapter 120
Inland Empire Chapter 130,
Pittsburgh Chapter 6, (W3LPP)
Atlanta Chapter 49, (W4LCB)
Citrus Chapter 45, (W4WLX)

Total of Gifts received was \$860.00

The total of Gifts received into the QCWA Silent Key Memorial Fund during the last half of 1983 can be broken down as follows:

July through December, 1983, total gifts received from Members and friends

\$3775.50

July through December, 1983, interest on funds deposited to the Fund

\$1444.98

The Grand total of the Fund, as of December 31, 1983 is

\$32,387.50

This amount, shown on the Fever Gauge above, is how we measure up. To all who contributed to the success of the Fund, a great big thank-you. Remember, gifts of any size are welcome....we're growing, thanks to all of you!

EARLY IN JANUARY THE QCWA SILENT KEY MEMORIAL FUND RECEIVED A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5004.69 GIVEN IN MEMORY OF:

Robert Cresap, W9LRI

The gift was made by Lavinia Cresap, in memory of her husband who passed away in mid-1983. This gift provides funding, in full, for a perpetual scholarship to be issued in his name annually. What finer way is there to memorialize a loved one?

LETS GO OVER THE TOP IN 1984!

SCHEDULED QCWA ON-THE-AIR MEETINGS REPORTED

1	Cleveland	Wed	2000L	W8LYD	19/79
		Wed	2030L	W8QHM	28625
2	Chicago Area	Wed	2000Z	W9DZG	7073
		Thu	0000Z	W9DZG	3590
4	NW Chapter	Sun	0830	W7UO	3655
		Sun	1200	W7FNC	3952
6	Pittsburgh	Sun	0830	W3LGD	63/03
7	SO CAL	Sun	0800	W6INH	3917
		Sun	0900	W6FQ	3917
		Sun	1100	K6BA	3695
9	Dayton/Cincy	Sun	1300	W8TPC	3986
10	Michigan	Sun	0800	W8CAM	3903
11	NORCAL	Sun	0930	W6BCM/FQA	3907
		Sat	1000		25/85
12	San Diego	Wed	2000		28600
15	Tulsa	Sun	0645L	W5FU	3830
		Sun	0930L	W5FU	7156
16	Arizona	Sun	0730	W5KMF	3892
20	Baltimore	Mon	2100L		28650
24	New England	Sun	0845L	W1DJ	
25	Nebraska	Sat	0900		3980
27	Houston	Thu	2000L	W5CCD	3876
32	Gator	Sat	0930		3920
36	NW Indiana	Wed	1900L		
38	San Antonio	Sun	2030L		28650
41	Dallas	Sun	0730L	W5ZKM	3835
45	Citrus	Thu	1900	W4ZU	825/225*
		Tue	1900	W4AJX	825/225*
		Sat	0900	W4PEI	3955
49	Atlanta	Sat	1300Z	K4VN	3832
54	Tyler	Sun	0800	W5CNO	3835
55	Wisconsin	Sun	0830		3985
58	Colorado	Sun	0900L		3905
		Sun	0930L		07/67
		Sun	2100Z	W4HBZ	3875
60	Eastern Tenn	Sun			3663
61	Detroit Metro	Sun			7235
62	Suwannee	Sat	0900		3850
63	Central Oklahoma	Sun	0830		3935
64	El Paso	Sat	0830L	W5NPI	3900
65	Niagara Frontier	Sun	1330L	W2SD	3773
73	Southern Ontario	Sun	0900L		7090
		Sun	1300L		3917
75	Cen Cal Coast	Sat	0830L		3917
77	NNJ	Sun	1300	W2OJW	3917
81	LIQCWA	Sun	1130L	W2SF	3917
84	Floral	Mon	1930	W5RHE	28/88
87	Evergreen	Sun	0700		3985
89	Palmetto	Sat	1700		3927
		Sun	1700L	N4LS	3770
90	Razorback	Sun	1800	W5MYZ	3907
96	Gateway	Sat	1100		7230
104	Treasure State	Sat	1000L	W7OIO	7240
106	German	Mon	1600U	DL9AR	3700
107	Central Florida	Sat	1000L		7240
109	Baton Rouge	Sun	0830	W5URR	3905
112	Yankee	Sun	0830		3903
113	Memphis	Fri	1000L	W4OMI/YEL04/64	
114	NOTEX	Sat	0830	W5VJW	3943
116	Central VA	Daily	0930	W4KNG	795/195
118	Coastal Carolina	Mon	2015		28/88
120	QCWW	Tue	1900Z		14295
122	Lake Erie T/S	Sun	0930L		3915
125	Halifax	Wed	1930L		75/15
126	Piedmont	Sun	0900L	W4QI	3935
128	Pelican	Sat	1000L		3930
129	Waco				13/73
130	Inland Empire	Sat	1600L		3912
134	Pine Tree	Sun	1400L		3942
138	Cen. NJ	Tue	2200L	W2DME	147.045
	FL SSB	Sun	1230L	W4PI	7253
	FL CW	Wed	1330L	W4PI	7035

*Repeater 147.825 in, 147.225 out

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE LISTED PLEASE WRITE TO SPECIFICALLY REQUEST THE LISTING.

- Ed -

CINDY'S CHATTER

This is the 45th anniversary of the Young Ladies Radio League, an organization whose aims and ideals have no limitations! The outstanding contributions of YL operators in every phase of Amateur Radio has made her a star in her own right! She serves without special privileges, without demands, content to be known and respected as an amateur radio operator. Outnumbered by her brother ham, she is proud to walk side by side with him in advancement of the art, through experimental ability, emergency work, and the many forms of public service....She comes from all walks of life, student, housewife, engineer...she may be any age or race. Her love for Radio may be DX, CW, Traffic or just plain "ragchewing"...her influence is felt in every facet of amateur radio.

It is with great feelings of pride that I present to you one such YL, Harryette Barker, W6QGX, formerly of California, now retired to Mountainburg, AR.

HARRYETTE, W6QGX
Mountainburg, AR

It was in the summer of 1939, in Kansas City, MO, that I first discovered ham radio. The voices I heard were 160 meter hams coming through on the high end of the broadcast band. I became an SWL and in May, 1940, I received my General Class (Class B) license with the call W9KSA. My dad helped by building for me a code oscillator for practice.

I became acquainted with one ham, Bob, W9FBM, who encouraged me in my desire to become an amateur. Bob passed away before I got my license, so I bought his bread board XMTR, 6L6's in the final and very low power. Again, my dad came to the rescue by helping me install an antenna. I bought a Sky Buddy receiver and was on the air, at least I tried, but no one heard me. After about three days, a ham about 5 miles away did hear me and came over to help. With a better signal, I enjoyed one and a half years on 160 mtr phone. An operating YL wasn't as common then as now.

In 1941 I was sent to school in Cleveland (Fenn College) to become an Engineering Aide, and later to Wright Field in Dayton, where I worked in Research & Development. I met my OM, Baron, there. He was also a ham, W9UOF, from Wisconsin. We were married in 1945. While on our honeymoon, we bought the parts for a kW transmitter. That same year, we quit our airforce jobs and settled in Sterling, IL. I received my advanced class license in Chicago, in 1946.

In 1952, we moved to California and became W6QGX and W6QGP. Only one of our three daughters became a ham. She is Susan, AD4K and LA0CY. I went into electronic drafting and was a senior designer when we retired two years ago to the beautiful mountains of Arkansas. Other hobbies through the years include flying, but ham radio is the one that lasts and the only one I would never want to give up.

Harryette is now a member of QCWA. You will find here on the YL Nets, traffic nets and ragchewing. May those of us that call ourselves "old-timers" continue to set an example of courtesy for those that follow, that Amateur Radio will continue to be the greatest hobby in the world. I am proud to be a ham!

--Happy Operating, Cindy, W5ZPD--

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER #7

The "Cinco de Mayo" noon luncheon of the Chapter will be held at Raffles Restaurant in Downey, CA, with greetings to start May 5th at 11 AM. New Secretary/Treasurer Jerrie Stoner, K6INK, will be accepting reservations.

President Moe Joffe, W6PHE, reports the receipt from an estate of an "enormous" California KW AM rig, built like Gibraltar. Who would like it? Speak up! The six-foot panel of gear now rests at the printing plant of Bert Ayers W6CL. It took three members to remove just the power supply for transport!

All Chapter nets are operating nicely with the welcome mat always out.

QCWA FUNFEST

HERE ARE THE REPLY TO THE FALL FUNFEST PROBLEMS:

PROBLEM	1	2	3	4	5
ANSWER	HAGGADAHS	\$2.85	632	ANNA+HEND'K	24 BIRDS
	HADASSAHS	\$1.68		CURTRAN+COR'	12 BEASTS
	GALAGALAS	\$1.25		KATRUN+ELAS	
VE3SB	ALFALFA	\$2.85	460	OK	OK
	KHALKHA	\$1.60			
	HALAKAH	\$1.25			
W1MVO	HAGGADAHS	\$1.90 ea	40	OK	OK
W2BDE	ALFALFA	\$2.68	180	-	OK
		\$1.90			
		\$1.25			
W2WAM	GALAGALAS	\$2.85	54	OK	OK
	HAGGADAHS	\$1.60			
	HADASSAHS	\$1.25			
W4UQ	HAGGADAH	\$2.68	861	OK	OK
		\$1.90			
		\$1.12			
W9GDF	FLASKS	\$2.85	280	-	OK
		\$1.60			
		\$1.25			
W9PPH	FALASHA	\$2.55	140	OK	OK
	GALAHAD	\$2.07			
	ALASKA	\$1.08			

For information: GALAGALAS - The plural of the noun GALAGALAS, a type of pine tree. HADASSAHS - The plural of the organization of Jewish women devoted to maintaining schools. HAGGADAHS - The plural of the noun HAGGADAHS, a story, or legend in Jewish literature.

Do any of you in QCWA have any favorite problems that we can use? You will note in this group #5 was answered correctly by all, #3 by none, so I must have my mix of difficulty about right. If you have a comment please let me know.

PROBLEMS FOR THE SPRING OF 1984!

1. A coin collector used a counting board with an exactly circular hole in the center of the board. He had two gold coins of the same thickness, but of different diameter. The larger coin exactly fitted the hole in the board. However, when the smaller coin was slid over the hole, when the edge of the coin reached the center of the hole, it would drop through the hole. The large coin weighed six (6) troy ounces. What was the weight of the smaller coin?
2. How many two-digit, positive numbers are there?
3. Find a number such that one half (1/2) that number is equal to the total of the squares of the digits in the number.
4. Hasafisti Scratchi complained to Sig Sid, "I get calls on my local phone at all hours, but it's not my number they want." "That's tough," said Sig, "must be a number very like yours." "Actually it's the Girls Residence Dorm, and is three times my number," Hasafisti replied. "If you shift the third figure of my number, and put it first, then close up the other three figures, you get the number of that YL den." What is Hasafisti's number?
5. A rectangular floor is laid with square tiles of the identical size. There are 81 tiles along one edge, and 63 tiles along the adjacent edge. (floor is 81 by 63 tiles in size). If a straight line is drawn diagonally across the floor from one corner to the other corner, how many tiles will the line cross?

These are pretty interesting problems....see if you can come up with answers. Send your answers and comments to:

HARRY M. NEBEN, W9QB
1151 Fairway Drive
Dunedin, FL 33528

QCWA FINANCIAL STATUS, JUNE 30, 1983

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.

ACCOUNT No.	Through June 30, 1983		
	BUDGET 1983	ACTUAL 1983	BUDGET 1984
501 Dues, Reg. New	\$15,000.00	\$8,727.00	\$15,000.00
502 Dues, Life - New	12,000.00	5,030.48	10,000.00
503 Dues, Reg.	25,000.00	21,122.00	31,000.00
504 Reg. Life Conv.	7,000.00	6,438.52	6,100.00
505 Entry Fee \$3.00	3,000.00	1,659.00	3,000.00
506 Over Payments	100.00	139.00	100.00
Sale of -			
510 Pins, Emblems & Banners	3,500.00	3,512.00	3,500.00
511 Decals - Stamps	500.00	319.75	500.00
512 Certificates		6.00	
515 Scholarship Donations	3,000.00	2,001.18	3,000.00
520 Advertising	1,000.00	129.18	1,000.00
525 Interest Earned	15,000.00	15,788.79	20,000.00
530 Hot Line Report	100.00	30.00	50.00
545 Prepaid Postage	200.00	94.00	200.00
546 Sale, QCWA News, Roster, Xerox	50.00	69.00	50.00
550 Other Income	100.00	211.14	100.00
Total Income	\$85,550.00	\$65,276.86	\$93,600.00
Estimated Income			\$93,600.00
Budget Expenses (see sheet 2)			\$93,640.00
Estimated Total Income minus Total Budget Expenses for 1984			\$ -40.00

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QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Through June 30, 1983

ACCOUNT No.	BUDGET 1983	ACTUAL 6/30/83	BUDGET 1984
EXPENSES & LIABILITIES			
EXPENSES			
801 Demos Management Fee	\$17,625.00	\$8,650.02	\$18,600.00
805 QCWA News, printing cost	15,000.00	6,709.75	16,000.00
810 QCWA News, mailing cost	4,000.00	2,083.22	4,500.00
815 General Postage	4,000.00	2,480.54	4,000.00
820 Public Relations & Adv	1,500.00	542.51	1,500.00
825 Demos Computer Services	1,000.00	325.00	1,500.00
826 U.O. of T. Computer Serv.	2,000.00	904.35	1,500.00
Cost of Sales			
830 Pins, Buttons & Banners	4,000.00	2,830.86	3,500.00
835 Stamps & Decals	1,200.00	1,599.59	1,200.00
840 Office Exp. & Supplies	700.00	285.49	1,000.00
845 Telephone	600.00	150.74	600.00
850 Board Meetings	500.00		500.00
851 Stationary & Printing	2,000.00	561.15	1,000.00
Officers Expenses			
852 Secretary	200.00		200.00
853 Treasurer	200.00	73.78	200.00
854 Vice President	100.00		300.00
855 Scholarship Awards	1,000.00	1,500.00	
857 Presidents Expenses	1,000.00	98.25	1,000.00
858 Election Expense for 1984	2,000.00		2,000.00
860 Hot Line Report, printing	1,000.00	320.24	500.00
861 Refunds (not income)	100.00	134.00	100.00
862 Demos Office Typist	6,325.00	2,004.05	7,300.00
863 Convention	250.00	250.00	250.00
864 Auditor-Audit Services	200.00		200.00
865 Miscellaneous Expense	250.00	481.58	250.00
Total Expenses	\$66,950.00	\$31,985.32	\$69,700.00
LIABILITIES			
Less Increase in deferred income (advance dues & Life Membership payments) (to 6/30/83)			\$16,940.00
Membership Roster for 1985 (1/3 of cost for each 1983-1984-1985)			7,000.00
Total Estimated expenses & Liabilities			\$93,640.00

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ATLANTA CHAPTER 49

The Christmas meeting of the chapter was held on December 2, 1983 at Morrisons Cafeteria in Ansley Mall. A Christmas program and swapping of gifts was moderated by John Bunting W4NET and his xyl, Gladys.

Newly elected officers are Clay Griffin, W4DXI, President; Stan Golden K0JRG, V. President; Sec/Treas. Bill Scott W4UVP Directors, Byron Lindsey, W4BIW and Wendell Cushing, K4VN. Annual dues will be \$5 for full members and \$1.50 for Fifty Year members and associate members.

ROADRUNNER CHAPTER



The photograph at left was taken during installation of Officers for 1984 for the Roadrunner Chapter, Albuquerque, NM. L-R those shown are:

Jack Sprague, K4AK, Scty/Treasurer
Loyt Lathrop, W5YSK, President
Joe Knight, W5PDY, Vice-President
Carl Carlberg, W5IH, Director

Roadrunner Chapter sends greetings to QCWA members across the world, with best wishes for a happy and prosperous 1984

- Jack, K4AK -

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.

AKRON CHAPTER No. 39

The Akron, Ohio Section of the QCWA, Chapter 39, held its Fall meeting on October 27, 1983 at Saginiti's Restaurant in downtown Akron.

Fifty-five persons attended this meeting to enjoy a fine evening of radio fellowship and travel information. We had visitors from Canton Chapter No. 21. Nelsom M. Caley, W8EAR, and Henry W. McLaughlin, W8OYV, came for the meeting along with their XYLS. Nelson Caley is President of the Canton Chapter.

During the business session, the members decided on the following dates for the next five meetings: January 26, 1984; April 26, 1984; July 26, 1984; October 25, 1984 and January 24, 1985. The next January meeting will be held at Sanginiti's. Officers for 1984-85 will be elected at this meeting.

Following dinner and the brief business session, a travel program was presented by Lou Laurich, W8SNF and his XYL, Ann, W8VTS. They presented slides of their recent travels in Jordan, Israel and Egypt.

- Tom Passon, K8WPH -

MISSOURI CHAPTER # 19

Our Chapter holds a regular meeting each month except December. We have a private room reserved for us at Pope's Cafeteria, Northwest Plaza Shopping Center, St. Louis, Cty, Missouri. Time is 1 PM Central. Prospective members and itinerant hams are welcome.

With the kind permission of St. Louis Repeater, Inc., we are able to use their 146.31/91 repeater for our 2-meter net held on first and third Wednesdays of each month, at 8PM, W0BA, is net control.

W0KC has been working hard to increase our membership to 50 so that we could obtain a free banner and then HQ changed the rules. He is still working hard at it and our membership is up to 40. We agree with you though; a banner for free was quite a burden on QCWA.

W0QU has been scheduling FB programs for our meetings on a variety of subjects; microcircuits, satellite techniques, etc. Our last program was a fascinating movie about the Confederate Air Force, presented by their member and ours, W0MZX.

Seasons greetings to all!

- John, W0NWV -

SPACEPORT CHAPTER #66



The Chapters December 17, 1983 meeting featured unveiling of the new QCWA sign by the artist; Mrs. Nancy Holtman, daughter of our Treasurer, Allen Apple, K4ILX. Chapter President Allen accompanied the event with a taped version of "Pomp and Circumstance". The sign, shown at left, in place, is a beauty and brought much applause from those present.

Business of the meeting consisted of elections. The election, by acclamation, saw the following elevated to Office:

Bill Willmot, K4TF, President; Burke Edwards, W4BKZ, Vice President
Charlie Bunce, K4KCN, Secretary; Allen Apple, K4ILX, Treasurer.

Outgoing President, Spencer Allen, K0REC, handed the gavel to Bill Willmot, K4TF.

In the picture at left, and shown L-R are: Bill Willmot, K4TF, newly elected Prexy of Spaceport Chapter; Connie Makepeace, Manager of Gatsby's Restaurant; and Spencer Allen, K0REC, "Old President" of the Chapter.

During the meeting a tape was played of transmissions by Dr. Garriott, W5LFL, calling CQ North America, etc., which had been taped by President Allen. In addition to reading an approval of the minutes of the last meeting, K4ILX made the treasurers report listing disbursements and receipts. The bank account sthoh at \$44.88!

Following the meeting the sign was officially placed in a prominent place in the front of Gatsby's with pictures taken!

- Charlie, K4KCN -

WISCONSIN CHAPTER 55

The Fall meeting of Wisconsin Chapter 55 was held at Blue Top Supper Club, Stevens Point, WI, with 97 members, wives and guests in attendance. After the customary "attitude adjustment" and eyeball QSO period, and following the Invocation by Vice Chairman W9FZC, the group enjoyed an excellent "Family Style" meal of chicken, ham and all that goes with them.

The general meeting with Chairman Gerend presiding began at 1PM, first some chapter membership certificates were passed out, followed by the "Hello" announcement from member W9OFL, who recently returned home from a hospital following a heart attack. Next, a moment of silence was observed in memory of recent Silent Keys, W9EWC and W9CUA. Then, followed the drawing of numbers for several door prizes. N9KY, W9JBF and W9SOJ were the lucky winners. At this time the ladies withdrew from the general meeting. Some went on a tour of Sentry Insurance and others went shopping at one of the large centers.

During the Chapter's business meeting, Bob Baird, W9NN, a member of QCWA's National Nominating Committee gave a report on its activities and commented on the forthcoming '84 election of National Directors. He presented a list of the candidates and a brief biographical sketch of each. Bob stressed the importance of all members voting and supporting our candidate, Travis Baird, W9VQD.

In addition to regular business items, there was an election of three directors to replace John LaBlonde, W9FZC: Jack Krause, W9JK; and Reno Goetsch, W9NA, whose terms had expired. The nominating committee submitted the following list of candidates: Rich Regent, K9DGF; Frank Guth, W9BCC; Ray Brehm, W9AJH, Vice Tresidder, W9TQ: Bud Finger, W9EIZ; and Jerry Vandenwymelenberg, W9VOW. From this impressive list membership elected K9DGF, W9BCC and W9TQ.

Officers and Directors for the 1983-84 period are: Hub Gerend, W9OUT, Chairman; Frank Guth, W9BCC, Vice Chairman; Les Peterson, W9YCV, Secretary; Rich Regent, K9DGF, Treasurer; Quin Peters, W9FAD, Director; Bill Gainer, W9SO, Director; and Vic Tresidder, W9TQ, Director. In their meeting, the Directors voted to accept W9VOW's offer of the "Downtowner", in Green Bay for the Spring meeting place on June 2, 1984.

Soon after, the members began departing for home enjoying the delightful Wisconsin Fall day and lovely leaf coloring.

- Les Peterson, W9YCV -

COASTAL CAROLINAS CHAPTER #118--4th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

In the absence of President Carl Pressler, Jr., W4LPL: Arie Van Dyck, our Vice President, AK4X, officiated at the fall meeting and fourth anniversary celebration. Twenty-two members and guests were present on Sunday, October 9th, during the Maysville, NC Hamfest.

Maysville is situated so that many of our members who can not ordinarily attend meetings in Fayetteville or Raleigh, can make this one. Attendance included members from Swansboro, Wilmington, New Bern, Washington and Greenville, in the eastern part of the state. Probably the member traveling the greatest distance was Floyd, W3GXJ, from South Hills, VA.

There was mention of possibly a winter meeting to be held in January or February, but nothing definite concluded.

We later learned from XYL Marjorie that Captain Charles E. Biele, W2AOS (USN, Ret) became a silent key on September 19th. Charles suffered a cardiac arrest at Scott AFB, in Illinois, while enroute from National Naval Hospital at Bethesda, MD, to his home in Myrtle Beach, SC. Charles was a lifetime member of QCWA and held membership #76. He was also a lifetime member of ARRL and a Charter Member of Coastal Carolinas Chapter as well as the Palmetto Chapter.

- Bob, W4OMW -

GATEWAY CHAPTER QCWA #96

Gateway Chapter #96 held their monthly meeting at Uncle John's Pancake House, November 19th, 1983. We enjoyed a very fine dinner after which the election committee counted the ballots. The following were elected to guide the Chapter through 1984:

Charles Walters, W4HMO, President
Robert Cutting, W2KGI, Vice President
Florence Bogardus, Secretary/Treasurer

At this time we have two of our members on the sick-list, Gifford Grange, W4HZ, is recuperating in the hospital. Marg Campbell is managing to get around in a wheel chair.

Several members are away for the holidays, but expect to be back after the first of the year.

- Edward Nelson, W0MKP -

COASTAL BEND CHAPTER QCWA #101

A nice turnout for the November meeting was had with 33 members and guests apresent. A report on the national ARRL convention was presented and members urged to write to their congressman opposing the no-code license being proposed by the FCC.

In the photograph below, standing, L-R, are: Al, K1DHC; Roy, W5QEM; Carl, W5FEZ; Claude, W5VPI; Doc, W5QKF; Frisco, K5CE; Jerry, W5GZ; Warren, KA5FIR; Henry, W5HQ; Dutch, W5PC; and John, W5EVA. Seated, L-R are: Bob, W5GEL; Jane, W5YCV; Tanner, W5YAO; Eddie, W5MDS and Glenn, W6NI.



The next meeting will be held at Sizzler Steakhouse on the seawall in Corpus Christi on January 3. We would like to see some of our winter visitors in the area at the meeting.

- Bob Douglas, W5GEL -

TREASURE STATE CHAPTER, No. 104

The first fall meeting of the Treasure State Chapter, No. 104, was held October 30th, at the Holiday Inn, in Great Falls, MT, with a dinner at 1 PM. Twenty-six members and guests attended. President Bill Savage, VE6EO, of Lethbridge, Alberta, presided as there was no special program scheduled. An invocation was performed by John Erickson, VE6NB, of Lethbridge. Phil Coulter, W7PX, of Missoula, the Secretary/Treasurer read some items from the latest HLR from National Headquarters.

Self introduction was given by all. We are sorry that Ian Elliot, W7JMX of Bozeman had to have a major operation the Tuesday following the meeting or he and his wife Lucille would have been with us for the meeting. By the time you read this, we hope the following visitors will have become members of QCWA: Walter Partlow, W7FGZ, of Great Falls; Mike Maloney, N7AGT and his seeing eye dog of Conrad; Ellwood Irwin, VE6ZI, of Barons, Alberta, Canada and John Erickson, VE6NB, of Lethbridge, Alberta. We are indebted to Art Jacques, W7B0Z and his charming wife Ann, of Great Falls, for making all the arrangements and table decorations, you both did a marvelous job.

- Les, W7010 -

Frank Borsody, K4EC, has sent us the picture below...it is of a good deal more interest than you might think...read on!

Frank says, "The touching ceremony below is of 4 hams viewing with awe, the very "Shack" from which Marconi sent the first radio signals across the Atlantic."



At the time the snapshot was taken, Frank was operating engineer at RCA Communications' Broad Street Transoceanic Radio Central Office in the Wall Street area. I was also President of the Flatbush Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (FARTS), and used to take ham friends of our club out to the RCAC Rocky Point, LI transmitter station, 75 miles out on Long Island to the RCAC receiving station, Riverhead, LI, 90 miles east of Brooklyn Bridge.

At the transmitter station guest hams would marvel at the numerous 200 kW shortwave transmitters with not only water-cooled plate, but water-cooled grids! Also, the huge Alexanderson Alternators on the VLF's, with 200 kW outputs. At the receiving station, Riverhead, just to hear the solid husky signals rolling in from our triple diversity receiving rhombics.

Those in the picture, L to R are: W2BLD; unknown; W2DHI; and then, W2AYC, now K4EC....circa 1926.

RCA President, Dave Sarnoff, who was a personal friend of Guglielmo Marconi, for sentimental reasons, had this radio shack moved to Rocky Point, LI, NY, about 1926.

CHATTANOOGA (#115) CHAPTER OF QCWA

The Fall meeting of the Chattanooga Chapter was held on October 13, 1983, at Shoney's. The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wolfe, K4CMY, at 7:20PM. Charlie Curle read the non-minutes of the July picnic, then read the treasurers report. Our program of the evening was the video tape on the up-coming Space Shuttle flight, as furnished by the ARRL.

HOUSTON CHAPTER 27

Below, Fred Putz, W5WVR (left) outgoing President receives a plaque from Dick Hawkins, W5DWI, President of the Chapter for 83/84.



Below, L-R, NSAPC, Mike; W5EKP, Bill; and Chris, N5GKQ, who is 10 years old and eligible for QCWA membership in the year 2008! Mike & Chris assisted Bill with the program of old films on video tape. W5DWI, Dick, 1984 Prexy at the back.



And below, Bill, W5EKP, preparing for November program. The hand holding the San Antonio newsletter belongs to Fred W5WVR.



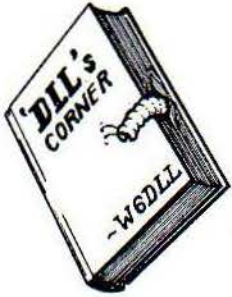
After the program, Preident Tom announced that yesterday (October 12th) was Col. Ray Moore's (K4DK) 80th birthday, and that tomorrow (October 14) was Joyce Lawson, K4ONI's birthday. Tom announced he would appoint a nominating committee for the election of Officers at the January meeting. It was also suggested that we vote on increasing our yearly dues from \$1 to \$2, and that we give the extra dollar to the QCWA Silent Key Memorial Fund. It was announced that we had all lost a good friend when Max Arnold, W4WHN, died the last of July.

- Charlie, AD4F -

NEARLY EVERY QCWA CHAPTER TREASURER HAS THE PROBLEM OF MAKING ENDS MEET THESE DAYS....IF YOU HAVEN'T PAID YOUR CHAPTER DUES, NOW IS THE TIME.

QCWA BOOK CORNER

Bud Neelands, W6DLL



Thank you for the replies about the type of book reviews preferred. It wasn't a squeaker at all. Slightly more than 80% of those who wrote prefer that books by QCWA members be featured as available.

The next part is up to you. I will need help in locating the books--I have no other source. I also ask a little charity. I will be dealing with books a little more out of my ken. If you feel that I have inappropriately commented, please write. To the extent that HQ goes along with me, I will publish author's explanations and rebuttals.

We start with three books which are by a QCWA member. This is the first time we have had three by the same author in one issue, however, these are related.

VINTAGE RADIO, Morgan E. McMahon, N6VY, (revised, edited and expanded from Greenwood's original), Vintage Radio, Rolling Hills, CA (publisher), McMahon's Vintage Radio, Box 1335, North Highlands, CA 95660 (distributor), 213 pp.

This is a fine starting point for anyone interested in the history of radio. After the introductory chapters, the book is devoted to (in order):

EARLY TRANSMITTERS AND BROADCASTING: In text, in illustrations and in reproduced advertisements you will find the whole bit: spark, Alexanderson alternators, arc, vacuum tube and c-w telegraphy and telephony (both arc and v.t.) Many excellent, identified photographs are included.

RECEIVERS: This chapter is a grand catalog of radio receivers from the longwave, spark days to spinning-disc T.V. (a 36-line picture a whole inch and a half square--genuine monochrome too!)

RECEIVER COMPONENTS: Everything you need. Loose couplers, variometers, honeycomb coils, Reinartz coils and detectors of many principles--even the old de Forest gas flame detector which is hardly mentioned elsewhere. There are also vacuum tubes in a weird and wonderful variety (excellently illustrated) as well as earphones (Baldwin, Murdoch, Brandes), speakers--the dilly on page 200 which looks like a Sousaphone should interest you. Even the old diaphragm-cone controversy surfaces. Likewise you'll find batteries, battery chargers, eliminators--ah", those were the days--service equipment and wavemeters.

From the buy-the-components-and-build-the-radio-set days, comes an illustration reprinted from Scientific American. The lead length you will have to see; I can't write about it.

Would you really like to know my major problem in reviewing this book? I couldn't tear myself loose from any single page to get on with the work. The book probably won't bring tears to your eyes, but all the same, while going through it, I couldn't help saying to myself, "Something's gone from this business. Some of the glamour has tarnished a little by the technology. Perhaps I know too much now."

The catalog sheet shows the price at \$9.95.

RADIO COLLECTORS GUIDE, Same author, same publisher (original by Ralph H. Langley), 264 pp, \$9.95

This is a comprehensive tabulation of radio receivers and related items. It includes manufacturer, year, model number, model name (is used), price--not the collectors' price,

the original retail price--number of tuning controls, number of tubes, power supply, circuit arrangement (e.g. 2 r-f, det, 1 a-f), circuit principle (neutrodyne, superheterodyne, regenerative, reflex). How many? Well, I counted one page and got 36. There are 176 pages of listings. Something around 6300 total I make it--that's for 1921-1930. There is also a 1931-1932 listing.

If you're into radio collectibles, you will need something like this.

A FLICK OF THE SWITCH (first edition), same author, same publisher.

This one might be thought of as a sequel to **VINTAGE RADIO**, the year 1930 being the dividing line between the two. In this volume, author McMahon deals with the later developments of radio and the birthpangs of commercial T.V.

Like the other books of this genre, there are hundreds of reprinted advertisements and some technical information. Unlike the other books, this one has some space devoted to radio program format and other non-technical aspects of radio broadcasting. In this regard, the work is sufficiently detailed to include comment on some of the early (radio) soap operas. It is also interesting to note how the emergence of television has, of necessity, worked great changes in the format and content of radio broadcasting.

The development of T.V. is traced from the Campbell-Swinton cathode ray T.V. receiver of 1908 (strictly on paper but amazingly detailed) through the Nipkow spinning disc method to its present state.

There is also a chapter on Amateur Radio which covers the whole affair from earliest times to present. The chapter includes photographs of historic amateur stations, amateur equipment and operators.

Of particular historic interest is a reprint of David Sarnoff's 1916 memo. If there was a kick-off in the game of getting radio out of the marine, experimental and amateur services and into the hands of the public, I should think that this memo is it.

75, Bud, W6DLL

Write your comments and suggestion to Bud Neelands, W6DLL, 10584 Ashton Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90024. If you are the author of a book and wish it reviewed, send a complimentary copy to Bud for his consideration.

- Editor -

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS WOMEN, CHAPTER 120

Quarter Century Wireless Women, Chapter 120, is going on 5 and is justly proud of its membership and accomplishments in its short period of existence. Membership is open to both YLs and OM's and is currently just above 100, with a ratio of approximately 10 YLs to 1 OM. Officers for 1984 are:

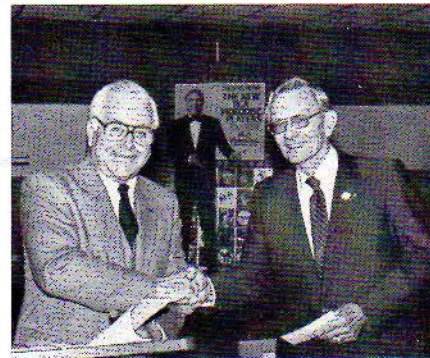
Esther Given, W6BDE, President
Elizabeth Stratten, W2PVS, Vice President
Marge Moore, W6BJVL, Secty/Treasurer

Board members are:

Beth Taylor, W7NJS
Beulah Barrick, W6NLM
Sheila Gabriel, G3HQC

QCWW is the only Chapter with international status and is proud to have its DX Liaison Officer on its Board of Directors. Thanks to the brain child of Blanche Randles, W4GXZ, who volunteered to set up and operate an arts and crafts booth at the National Conference in Denver, QCWW was able to raise over \$250 which was donated to the QCWA Scholarship Fund in memory of QCWW's Silent Keys.

- Esther, W6BDE -
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A record number of 95 persons attended the fall meeting of the CENTRAL ILLINOIS chapter of QCWA, October 29, 1983, at Klaus Radio, in Peoria, IL. Following a prayer, President Earl McLaughlin, W9MRT, welcomed the members and guests. This was followed by a dinner enjoyed by all present. Following the dinner a short business meeting was held. Voting on the nominating committees report for Officers for 1984/85 elected those shown in the center picture, above:

Ron Asbill, W9ROK, President, at right; John Vasicak, W9ZEN, Vice Pres. (2nd from left; Jim Umstattd, W9CFV, Secretary, (3rd from left. Ed Metzger, W9PRN, Central Illinois Division Director, ARRL.

Awards were presented to two members at the meeting. In the upper left picture, Ed Metzger, W9PRN, presents the 50-Year Continuously Licensed Award to Steve Zsizsik, W9PBY. In the upper right picture, Ed presents the Golden Award to Cliff Horine, W9OBN.

To complete the program, two films were shown... "Amateur Radios Newest Frontier" courtesy of ARRL and "800 Miles of Winter-The Trans-Alaska Project" from the Caterpillar Tractor Company. Saturday, March 31, 1984, will be the date for the Spring dinner meeting of the Chapter, to be hosted by the Bloomington, Illinois group.

- Johnny, W9ZEN -

PIEDMONT CHAPTER 126

Winston-Salem, NC, was the final quarterly meeting in 1983 for this Chapter. Approximately 45 members and their girl-friends assembled at the Sizzling Steak House there. The speaker for the occasion was the well-known Antique Wireless Associates, Lew Elias, W4DBT. He brought part of his Morse code key collection and explained their early use and development.

The meeting was also the occasion for the election of Officers for 1984. Concluding a spirited campaign and lengthy meeting discussions, the following were elected:

Ellicott Valentine, K4JO, President
Lem Holland, W4QI, Vice President
Henry Elwell, N4UH, Scty/Treasurer

Attendance at our Chapter QCWA Net every Sunday at 9AM on 3935, was reported by NCS, M. L. Buchanan, W4DSU. He said that during the 12 sessions of the past quarter, 123 stations had checked in, or an average of 10 per session. Ray Low, W1VMD, volunteered to act as NCS for the ensuing 3 months.

Concluding business was the move to purchase a QCWA banner for the Chapter. See it in Greensboro, NC, at our next meeting on March 10, 1984.

Much of the beauty of the meeting is shown below. On the left side; Millie, XYL of N4UH; Alma XYL of W1VMD; and Mary XYL of K4JO. On the right side, Gaye, N4IHL, XYL of W4DSU; Ruth, XYL of W4YUZ; Mozella, XYL of W4QI!



- Henry, N4UH -

SHENANDOAH VALLEY CHAPTER No. 137

Shenandoah Valley Chapter meets quarterly, the last meeting being on October 13, 1983, at Duff's Rebel Restaurant, in Winchester, VA. A social hour started things off, with 14 members and guests present.

After the meal, a business meeting was held. A collection was taken up to raise money for acquiring an Official QCWA banner for the Chapter to display at future meetings. \$29 were collected, which was matched by an equal sum from Walt Quitter, NC4B, for a total of \$58, more than enough for the Chapters cost of \$50. Walt also provided a report on the National Conference held in Denver.

John Kanode, N4MM, reported on the APRIL National Convention and discussed the FCC Volunteer exam program, along with phone band expansion and preparations for WARC.

Bill Grenfell, W4GF, was the featured speaker for the evening and discussed FCC Highlights. In addition, Bill gave an illustrated talk about flying between Manassas, VA and Oregon, using his private plane.

In the picture at right a number of the Ladies who were present are shown, L-R they are:

Joan Rich
Harriett Crabill
Maxine Strickler
Charlotte Miller



In the Picture at the left, the Gentlemen shown, L-R are:

Bill Grenfell, W4GF
Frank Taylor, KE4KF
John Kanode, N4MM
Perry Crabill, W3HQX

In Attendance at a
CEREMONY ANNOUNCING
THE BARRY GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP
November 9, 1983

The Honorable Barry Goldwater, K7UGA, U.S. Senator, Arizona
The Honorable Mark Fowler, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission
Mr. Robert Foosaner, Chief, Private Radio Bureau, Federal Communications Commission
Mr. Victor C. Clark, W4KFC, President, The American Radio Relay League, Inc.
Mr. Robert York Chapman, W1QV, President, the ARRL Foundation
Mr. Stuart Meyer, W2GHK, President, Quarter Century Wireless Association
Mr. Hugh Turnbull, W3ABC, Atlantic Division Director, The American Radio Relay League, Inc.
Ms. Ethel Smith, K4LMB, Director, The Quarter Century Wireless Association
Capatin Charles Dorian, W3JPT, Consultant, The American Radio Relay League, Inc.
Mr. David Siddall, K3ZJ, President, The Capitol Hill Amateur Radio Society
Mr. Larry Kettlewell, W3HHG, Professional Staff, Select Committee on Intelligence, U.S. Senate
Mr. Ed Zuckerman, Public Relations Counsel, The American Radio Relay League, Inc.
Mr. Christopher D. Imlay, N3AKD, Legal Counsel, The American Radio Relay League, Inc.
Mr. Perry Williams, W1UED, Washington Area Coordinator, The American Radio Relay League, Inc.

The meeting held November 9, 1983, was arranged to Announce the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and for the Formal Presentation of the Quarter Century Wireless Association Award naming Barry Goldwater to the Associations Hall of Fame.

SAILFISH CHAPTER QCWA

Sailfish Chapter sent in a note to advise that it was indeed alive and well and that meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, except for mid-summer. Meetings are held at the Flamingo Restaurant in Stuart, FL, at 11 AM.

Officers elected at the March, 1983 election were:

Don Lovett, W8BST, President
Herb Combs, W4KEB, Vice President
Jack Erickson, AD4N, Scty/Treasurer

The current Chapter membership is 30, with 20 really active members on the rolls.

- John, AD4N -

CHAPTER 6, PITTSBURGH

The Pittsburgh Chapter 6, of the QCWA, held it's fall meeting October 30. The meeting was moderated by Mark, W3LPF, in the absence of Chairman Pete, W3DM. There were about 50 people in attendance including members, wives and guests.

The election of officers was postponed until the spring meeting, a luncheon meeting which will take place on May 8, 1984. It will be held at the Tonidale Restaurant, Parkway West, 22-30 exit, Stuebenville Pike, Oakdale, PA.

Chairman W3DM calls up the chapter net on Sunday at 8:30 AM local time on the 147.63/03 Carnegie repeater and on 3910 at about 0915.

- Nat, W3SVJ -

CANTON OHIO CHAPTER #21

The Chapter held its Quarterly dinner meeting on November 19, 1983, at which time the following Officers were elected for the year 1984:

Nelson, Caley, W8EAR, President
Perry Ballinger, W8AU, Vice President
Shirley Rex, K8MZT, Scty/Treasurer

Trustees elected were; Roy Burckhart, W8CZA and Henry McLaughlin, W8OYV.

The Chapter to action to establish the terms of all of the officers to be 2 years, beginning with the 1985 election.

An outstanding program was presented by Ralph Brunbaugh, of Carrollton, OH, titled, "Song Birds & their Calls." An added part of the program entitled "America the Beautiful" was also presented. It was a masterpiece of slide photography with synchronized sound.

Ladies door prizes were made and donated by Arlene Burckhart, wife of W8CZA, Polly, KA8OZM, wife of W8EAR and Mickey Parks, wife of K8JZN. Two new members were introduced; Melvin Vye, W8MV, of North Canton and David Glass, W8UKQ, of Alliance, OH.

Family illnesses and the migration of the snow-birds had a noticeable effect on our attendance...next meeting will be in February, 1984.



In the picture above, Stu Walker, W8ADQ, at left, presents the QCWA Golden Award to his life-long friend, Robert Breen W7JRH. Stu, a paraplegic, but ardent amateur, is one of Canton's first broadcast engineers, having started in that business in 1925. Robert's home is now Everson, WA, altho his original home was Canton, OH.

-Henry, W8OYV-

WHEN IS A MAN EDUCATED?

When he can look out upon the universe, now lucid and lovely, now dark and terrible, with a sense of his own littleness in the great scheme of things and yet have faith and courage. When he knows how to make friends and keep them. And above all, when he can keep friends with himself. When he can be happy alone and high-minded amid the drudgeries of life. When he can look into a wayside puddle and see something besides mud and into the faces of the most forlorn mortal and see something divine. When he knows how to live, how to love, how to hope and pray.... glad to live and has in his heart a bit of a song.

Joseph Fort Newton

Submitted by Les Blewett, W7OIO.

WEST VIRGINIA CHAPTER #30 QCWA

The fall meeting of the West Virginia Chapter #30 was held in South Charleston, WV, at the Rose City Cafe on October 22, 1983. Members and wives enjoyed talking over old times during the social hour preceding the dinner. After a fine dinner enjoyed by all present, Fes Greathouse, Chapter President, called the meeting to order. Fes reminded members that this was the Chapter's twentieth anniversary of the Charter presentation by Gus Girona, W2JE, at the State Convention in July, 1963. Fes said that the chapter has grown through the time, but that there are several QCWA members in the State that have not attended any of our two meetings each year. Future plans call for contacting these members and trying to get them out to our meetings.

Program for the meeting was presented by Al Hix, W8AH, who presented a video tape of the equipment and tower at his ATH and a talk about Oscar 10. To those in attendance this was something new and his talk was enjoyed greatly.

Election of Officers for the next year was held and the following were elected:

Albert Hix, W8AH, President; Calving Basham, W8NR, Vice President; Robert D. Hough, W8ESQ, Secretary/Treasurer.

Past President Greathouse turned the meeting over to President Hix for further discussion and plans. It was decided that the spring meeting would be held in Elkins, WV, place and time to be handled by W8ESQ. The business concluded, the meeting was adjourned. A picture was taken of those attending. Shown, L-R, below, are: Front Row, Bill Godwin, K8TPS; Laymon Knicey, W8CCR; Earl Workman, W8SHV; Calvin Basham, W8NR; Albert Hix, W8AH; John Dodd, W8ETF. In the back row: Frank Williams, W8LFZ; Sam Moore, W8NCD; Red Devores, W8LYV; Jesse Boyd, W8AFB; John Davies, W8HZA; Jerry Gardner, W8OIV; Creed Russell, W8KM; Tom Haymond, W8CCN; Gaylord Maines, W8BPI; Bill Giles, W8ELJ; Fes Greathouse, W8PZT; Omar Mitchell, W8NA; Bob Hall, W8QHJ; Joe Anderson, K8BCH; Jim Ford, W8QR; Wilbur Williams, K8MNA; Jim Ligan, AC8K; Lloyd Penrose, NC8G.



LONG ISLAND CHAPTER

The December 9th meeting of LIQCWA brought together 23 members. The company was most enjoyable. Chairman Harry Dannels, W2HD, sliced the table QRM about 8:50PM, asking for a moment of silence in honor of K2BX, W2GUJ & W4KFC who recently became SK's.

Harry stated that 1983 went strictly according to Murphy's Law, for LIQCWA....everything went wrong that could! The terrible snow storm knocked out the first meeting of 1983—a tropical downpour in April brought out the rowboats and a totally unexpected problem at the Coral House caused the cancellation of our October meeting without warning.

New Officers for 1984 were named, as follows:

Harry Dannels, W2HD, Chairman
W2KO Vice Chairman
W2YTR, Secretary

The Chapter expressed thanks to Andy, W2NKC, for his long service as Secretary to the Chapter.

Our excellent speaker and king of the slide carousel, Steve Mendelsohn, WA2DHF, presented a fascinating slide and sound feature "Amateur Radio and the New York City Marathon of 1981." Some 16,000 runners participated during the 26 mile run through and over New York City's five boros. In the Big Apple, a Boro is a County and not something you ride into Times Square on New Years Eve. More than 100 hams volunteered and established an incredible system of communications in support of the basic traffic control system of the New York Police. The slides and narration by WA2DHF, who even managed to incorporate music scores, was most impressive. We are grateful to Steve.

- Box, W2FRX -

PALM BEACH CHAPTER (111)



Pictured above, at left, El Hermanson, W4CQL, who received that call in 1933 and has been continuously licensed since. El operated in Syria, in 1947, as ARIYL. Her OM is W4NFI. She is shown above, receiving the Golden Continuously Licensed Certificate from Vern, W4YNR, President of the Palm Beach Chapter of QCWA.

- Tony, W4DTO -

THE QCWA SILENT KEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND IS A FINE AND GENEROUS OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL TO MAKE A REAL CONTRIBUTION TO OUR YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN. NOW IS THE TIME! THANKS TO ALL OF YOU!

GATORPIX

QCWA Luncheon at the Suncoast Florida State ARRL Convention in Clearwater, November 26, 1983. Head table guests, L-R are:

Art Pfister	Jack Mandel	Paul Turner
K4HFL, Pres.	W4PLW, Pres.	W1DLP, Pres.
Gulf Coast Chapter	Pelican Chapter	Gator Chapter
Evelyn Gauzin	Frank Butler	Wes Randles
W4WYR, Vice	W4RH, Director, SE Div.	W4COW, Treasurer, QCWA Intl.
Director SE Division ARRL	of ARRL	
Stuart Meyer	Eli Nannis	
W2GHK, Pres.	K4JMH, Scty, QCWA	
International	Gator Chptr and M.C.	

KANSAS CHAPTER

The Kansas Chapter held their annual meeting on Saturday, November 5, 1983, at the Hilton Inn, in Junction City. The weather was nice but the 4-lane from I-70 past the Hilton was treacherous - it was being re-surfaced and drivers had to wind their way through barricades. 46 members and guests enjoyed the fine buffet dinner.

Wilbur Naylor, W0WXY, President of the Chapter welcomed the members and guests. Paul Grauer, W0FIR, Midwest Division Director for the ARRL and also a Kansas Chapter Member presented a slide show of ARRL Headquarters and narrated by Vic Clark, W4KFC, President of the League.

Two prizes were won by Betty Henning, WB0TOD, and Joenne Stanesic, WB0WQN. Two QCWA Members from the Sunflower Chapter, at Wichita, were present; Bryce Bandy, W0PF and his son, John W0UT.

- Steve, W0CHJ -

EVERGREEN CHAPTER #87

The annual winter meeting of the Evergreen Chapter #87 was held at the Best Western Inn, in Moscow, ID, on October 8, 1983, with thirty-seven members and guests present. After a good luncheon, W7ENO introduced the guest speaker, Reverend Bill Jones, who, although not a ham, spoke on the importance of amateur radio in international communication and understanding.

Following the luncheon, nomination and election of Officers was held, with the following elected:

Bill M. Smith, W7GHT, President
 Ken Hungerford, W7CVJ, Vice President
 Lance Haserot, K6LWS, Secretary/Treasurer
 Pat Stewart, W7GVC, Ken White, W7JY0,
 Damon Nuckols, W7LKH, and Jim Malstrom,
 W7LUP, Directors.

Pictured below, President Bill Smith, W7GHT (Left), receives the gavel from retiring president Al Cutting, W7ENO (right), while Lance Haserot, K6LWS, Secretary/Treasurer (seated) watches.

GATOR CHAPTER 32

At our October meeting, a Certified Financial Planner talked about how the new IRS law effects social security. We suggest all chapters have a speaker on this subject. The resignation of our Treasurer, George Rae K4TH was reluctantly accepted. Harold Johnson, K4GVB, celebrated his 54th wedding anniversary this month. Tom Abernathy, W4AYX, became a silent key. Les Pulley W4DH is now the proud owner of a 70 year certificate and he is 87 years young.

The November meeting was our 17th chapter anniversary. A large anniversary cake was served to members and guests present. We lost another member this month, Neldon Smith, K4CTX is a silent key. Our speaker was from GTE, a facility tester who spoke on satellite communications with slides. He also answered many questions on the telephone Company deregulations. The new slate of officers voted in for 1984 are Paul Turner, W1DLP, President; Ralph Barr, W0DNO, Vice President; Eli Nannis K4JMH, Secretary and William Turner, W2WV, treasurer. Directors are Lou Weber, K4HWS; Ernie Grant, W1GJZ; Erle Parker, K4JF; Hal Grisby, AA4MF and Bill Penhallegon, W4STX.

The three chapters in the Tampa Bay area took care of the QCWA activities in the Suncoast Florida State ARRL Convention held in Clearwater on Nov. 26,27,1983. We had a QCWA booth, a Hospitality suite and hosted a QCWA luncheon attended by 190 members and guests. Vic Clark, W4KFC, President of ARRL was to attend the luncheon on the 26th but as you all know, he became a silent key on the 25th. He will be greatly missed by amateurs throughout the world. We were delighted to have Stuart Meyer, W2GHK, President of QCWA, as our guest speaker.

We had a great turnout at our Christmas party meeting on December 3rd with 78 members and guests attending. Our chaplain, Tom K4IJC was married on Dec. 2nd and was on his honeymoon. We are sorry to report two more silent keys, Jack Brazee, W4ZNQ and Bob Brady K4CFR. We welcomed Bob Conaughty K4OQ as an active member of our chapter. He gave a fine program at the Suncoast Convention. A film was shown "Fox Hunting in China". This is an excellent film and it was sent to us by Vic Clark just before he died. This film is available from ARRL HQ. The Tampa Bay chapters are considering sponsoring the QCWA 1985 Conference. More on this at a later date.

- Eli Nannis, K4JMH

WADE HOLLAND, W4AZT, has requested member Chapters of our QCWA to provide input on the success stories in their organizations. Wade is working to prepare a GUIDE to assist the QCWA Chapters in developing interest and in preparing good and successful programs. The announcement was made in the January Hotline Report (available to members at \$6 per year) and we're reminding you - if you haven't answered his call, now is the time.

IN MEMORY OF OUR FRIENDS

MAX ARNOLD, W4WHN

Our QCWA Secretary, Max Arnold, W4WHN, became a silent key at the age of 65, early on Sunday morning, July 31, 1983.

Services were held on Monday, August 1, 1983, at the Temple in Nashville, Tennessee, with Rabbi Randall Falk officiating. Graveside rites, military ceremonies and interment were at the Temple Cemetery in Nashville. He is survived by his wife Rosemary, and two step-children, Emily and Frederic May.

Max Arnold was well known in ARRL and QCWA circles nationwide in addition to being especially recognized and appreciated in the Delta Division of ARRL and his home area of Nashville. A former ARRL Delta Division Director and later Vice-President, Max graciously accepted when he was nominated and elected to serve as Secretary for QCWA. Ironically, July 21st was the last day on which ballots for his re-election as QCWA Secretary could be mailed. He never knew that he had been re-elected by a large ballot.

At the time of his death, Max was President of Sutherland Millwork Company, the oldest millwork Company in the USA. He was also a retired U. S. Army warrant officer as well as a Mason and Shriner. He was well known in photographic and dog obedience training circles. Max will be long remembered in the Nashville area for his tireless work in conducting radio theory and Morse code classes for aspiring candidates for ham radio licenses. Local amateurs estimate that in a period of over fifteen years, he personally taught theory and code to over fifteen hundred prospective amateur radio operators.

At Max's personal request, and that of his wife, A Max Arnold Scholarship Fund administered by QCWA is being established.

QCWA and amateur radio has lost another devoted friend to the ranks of our Silent Keys.

- Leland Smith, WSKL -

Robert T. Brown, W4ESQ

No longer will Chattanooga hams enjoy late night chats with the friendly voice of the old "Esquire" station. Robert T. Brown, W4ESQ, became a silent key November 2, 1983.

First licensed in the thirties, Bob was very active on 160 meters before WW-II. After the war, he was active on 10, and in the last few years he was very active on the Chattanooga 2-meter repeaters late at night, always ready with a friendly word, a quick with and a willingness to argue on any popular subject.

During WW-II, Bob was in the Signal Corps, and after the War he returned to Chattanooga and helped install the first TV sets in town, with reception from the Atlanta, Georgia stations, several years before Chattanooga had its own TV stations. Bob's installations had one advantage over most of the others. His would receive that weak TV signal.

Bob was a very good painter. He especially liked to paint steam engines and was proud of the ones he had hanging on the walls at his house. He loved a good joke and could talk you into anything. He was also an excellent caricaturist, and several local hams are fortunate enough to have a cartoon drawn by him hanging on their wall to remember him by.

These days there is a BIG void late at night on 2 meters. No friendly words, no jokes, just silence.

- AD4F -

QCWA IS GLAD TO BE ABLE TO HONOR OUR SILENT KEY MEMBERS. IF YOU LOSE AN OLD FRIEND, SEND US MATERIAL. WE'LL USE IT SPACE PERMITTING.

HANS SCHLEIFENBAUM, DL1YA

Hans Schleifenbaum, DL1YA, became a silent key on October 18, 1983, just one month after his 75th birthday. Hans was not only a charter member but the founder of Chapter 106 of QCWA and of which he was president until his death. Under his wonderful management, Chapter 106 was growing with 200 members from more than 11 European countries. Hans was not only the motor for Chapter 106, he can also be regarded as the Founder of the Austrian Chapter.

Hans, a ham since 1933, then D4KQF, was holder of countless awards...the Golden Pin of DARC, A1-Operator, he was one of the first Directors of the South Bavarian District of DARC, and President of the newly founded "Forderverein Amateurfunk Museum e.V. Collecting early day amateur radio equipment, not for himself, but for the public, was a task for which he put most of his energy during the last two years.

Shown below, Hans, together with Leland Smith, WSKL, QCWA Vice President and Gerhard Jacoby, DL3ME, visiting with Hans on the occasion of his last activity, in Cologne, on September 6, 1983. Leland presented the QCWA Hall of Fame Award to Jean Wolff, LX1JW, at the home of Heinz Schiffer-decker, DL7AC, at that time.

Hans was suffered from the so-called Bechterew illness, whereby the spinal cord is bent down. For more than 25 years he took his terrible fate, always with energy and a certain kind of humor. We shall never forget him!



- Gerd, DL3ME -

EDWIN S. CRANE, W2EF
1896 - 1983

Services were held Thursday, January 5, 1984, for Edwin S. Crane, a retired building inspector for the Village of Hempstead, who died of a heart ailment at Nassau Hospital in Mineola. Edwin, who had lived in Hempstead Village since 1929, worked for the village for 34 years and had retired as Superintendent of Building Inspectors in 1966. During World War I, Edwin served in the Army in Europe.

For more than 66 years, Edwin had been an amateur radio operator with the call W2EF. Ed was one of the six in the round-table on November 14, 1947, that decided to call a meeting for the purpose of forming a fraternal time organization. The only one left of the six is Irving Groves, K4HT, who held the call W2DX, at that time. Of the 34 who participated in the resulting meeting at Pappas's Restaurant, on December 5, 1947, there are now only eight left; W1HRX, W4AMJ, W2BR, K4HT, W2KW, W2PF, W2RB and W2CVF. From that meeting came all that is now QCWA!

Edwin was a member of American Legion Post No. 390, for 56 years, a member of the Hempstead Fire Department for 53

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years and a mason of the Conucopia Lodge, in Flushing, for 45 years. Since 1939 he was a member of the Freeport Yacht Club and participated with members of that group in patrols with the No. 1306 Coast Guard Flotilla.

Survivors include his wife, Florence; a daughter, Phyllis S. Oechslein, of Weirsdale, FL; a son, Harold G. Stafford, of Freeport, and three grandchildren.

Edwin was QCWA Member No. 11. May he rest in peace!

- W2CVF -

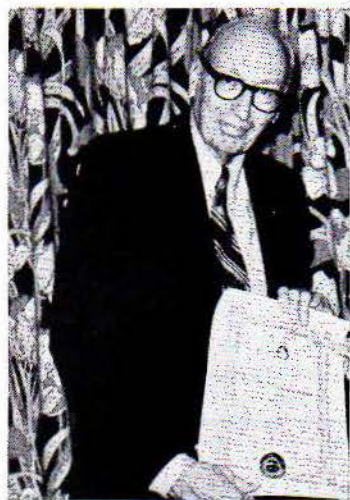
VIC CLARK - W4KFC
1917 - 1983

Vic Clark, W4KFC, President of ARRL and active member of QCWA, became a silent key on November 25, 1983, following a massive heart attack.

Vic was probably the world's best known and best loved Amateur. He had devoted a life-time of dedicated service to Amateur Radio. First licensed as W6KFC, in 1933, at the age of 16, Vic immediately became active in ARRL traffic nets and began piling up records in contests and collecting operating awards. By 1937 he had become SCM of Arizona, at the age of 20, and was awarded the first Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award that same year. He served as Route Manager for ARRL and Assistant NCS for the Army Amateur Radio System (the forerunner of Army MARS).

Vic then went on to become SCM of Virginia, served as the Assistant Director of the Roanoke Division for 18 years and in 1967 was elected Director of the Division. He was an active member of the FCC's Advisory Committee. In 1976 he was elected Vice President of ARRL and played a major role in the Preparatory Committee and the 1979 International World Administrative Radio Conference in Geneva, Switzerland. He served as President of the IARU Region 2 organization for five years, planning and chairing hemispheric conferences in Panama (1978) and Peru (1980) and the Region 3 conference in Bangkok, Thailand (1978).

Vic was a Charter Life Member of ARRL, Life Member of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, A Fellow in the Radio Club of America and a Senior Member of the Institute of Electronic Engineers and a member of the Society of Airway Pioneers. He was a Charter Life Member of AMSAT, Member of AWA, and SOWP, a charter member and past president of the Potomac Valley Radio Club. He took an active part in 4-H activities.



Vic earned his private pilots license while in his early 20's. He took a Bachelor of Science Degree from George Washington University and went to work for the Civil Aeronautics Administration in Washington. Here he directed the program to establish instrument landing systems throughout the U. S. After more than 20 years with the FAA, he went with the U. S. Coast Guard and spent 11 more years as Director of its Electronics Laboratory, in Alexandria, VA. He retired in 1974 after 32½ years of Federal Service.

Amateur radio was also a family affair. Vic's wife, Hester, is WA4PAE; daughter Beth is KA4YTN

and son Andrew is WA4PRF, while Son Kenneth is K4OKZ. He is also survived by three other children who are not hams yet: son Roger and daughters Miriam and Jennifer.

A memorial honoring Vic is being established by the ARRL Foundation. It is most appropriate that Vic's name should be perpetuated in this way. It is planned that any designated contributions for a Vic Clark Memorial Fund received from QCWA members will be forwarded to the ARRL Foundation in the name of the donor and QCWA.

- Ethel Smith, K4LMB -

GERT BUCHHORN, DL3MK

On September 6, 1983, Gert Buchhorn, DL3MK, passed away. Gert, 59 years of age, had just finished some work in his ham-shack when a sudden illness overcame him. His wife, a trained nurse, called at once for an emergency ambulance but it was too late. Gert had waited impatiently for his retirement to come so that he might be more active in QCWA!

TWIN STATE CHAPTER (146)

The formation meeting was held on July 23, 1983, at the Royal Dragon Restaurant, in Claremont, NH, with 14 potential members. Officers elected were:

Ted Everett, W1ALE, President
Carl Breuning, N1CB, Vice President
Roger Sweetser, W1IXA, Scty/Treasurer
Al Johnson, K1IK, Activities Manager
Dave Littlewood, K1DL Net Manager

The Chapter membership has now grown to 30, with several new members expected soon. The second meeting was held at the Conn. Valley FM Association Hamfest at King Ridge, in Sutton, NH, on September 25. A third meeting was scheduled at Lebanon, NH, January 7, 1984.

Pictured L-R, below, are: Carl Breuning, N1CB, V. P., & Ted Everett, W1ALE, President, with Wes Randles, W4COW, QCWA Treasurer, presenting the Chapter Charter.



CENTRAL VIRGINIA CHAPTER No. 116

Yes sir, Central Virginia Chapter 116 is alive & kicking. We meet quarterly for lunch and daily via radio. Membership stands at 42. Officers for 1984 are:

John Bush, W4FOD, President
William Lawrie, Vice President
Conrad Richardson, N4ING, Scty/Treasurer

Our year runs from July to June with officers elected in June of each year.

A joint meeting of the Chapter and the Retired Hams of Lynchburg, was a gala affair of the Holiday Season. With wives and friends as guests, we met at the Howard Johnson Restaurant in Lynchburg. The meeting was called to order by John Bush, W4FOD. John shared with us his memories of the ARRL convention at Houston.

Our membership was saddened by the passing of our friend and neighbor, Victor Clark, W4KFC. A gift was made to the QCWA Memorial Fund, in his memory.

We welcomed into Chapter membership the following:

Steve Tolley, W4OKM; Bernard Callahan, W4FLP; Joe Vallastro, W4MCD.

- Conrad, N4ING -

IT'S TOO LATE TO SAY HAPPY NEW YEAR, SO WE'LL SAY INSTEAD, WON'T YOU BE OUR VALENTINE?

DOGWOOD CHAPTER
QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION

Dogwood Chapter has announced the following Officers and Directors for the year 1984:

Max Green, VE7DZ, President
 Ivan Spears, VE7MX, Vice President
 Ernie Savage, VE7FB, Secretary
 Dave Gilmore, VE7YG, Treasurer
 Director for Interior, Al Miller, VE7KC
 Director for Island, Eddie Edwards, VE7DAR.

Dogwood Chapter covers a large area as we have members from one side of British Columbia to the other, about 500 miles. We also have members in the Cariboo region, about 250 miles north of the International Border. Vancouver Island has approximately 20 members and we see little of them because of the cost of ferry travel. For these reasons we try to have our Annual Meetings in the three general areas in rotation, first in the Okanagan, then the Island and then the area around Vancouver, BC, where the bulk of the members live.

Around Vancouver, which we know as the Lower Mainland of British Columbia, the Chapter has monthly breakfasts or brunches on the last Saturday of each month from September until May. At Christmas we have a party which usually takes place in the early part of December. The Okanagan area started this year sponsoring breakfasts or brunches bi-monthly, which have been well received. We make all of these functions open to all local hams and this has garnered us quite a few new members.

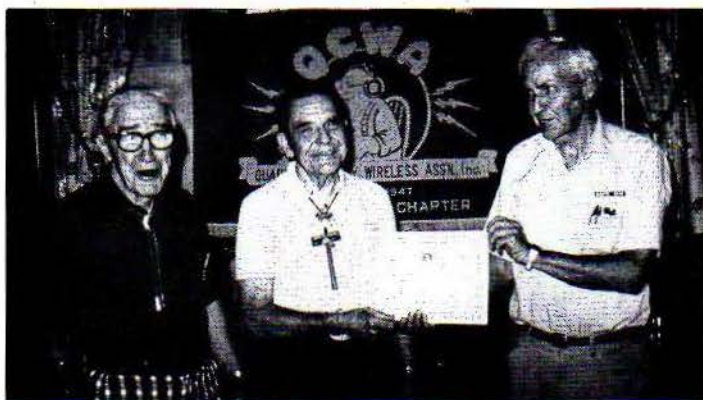
The picture below shows those attending the Annual General meeting in the Delta Lakeshore Inn.



- Max Green, VE7DZ -

EL PASO QCWA CHAPTER #64

El Paso Chapter held a meeting August 17, 1983, at which time presentation of the QCWA CENTURY CLUB CERTIFICATE was awarded to Gerald J. McTernan, W5YV. The award presentation was made by Chapter President Horace D. Bevan, KSHTR. The presentation ceremony is pictured below, L-R are: Howard Brokate, W5RO; Gerald J. McTernan, W5YV; Horace D. Bevan, KSHTR.



THE PERSONAL EQUATION AND MEMORIES OF THE TELEGRAPH

BY DAVID LEVINE, WB4ESH

Advances in communication due to teletype, microwave, satellites, fiber optics, and laser have all tended to make us blasé. Most have forgotten the earlier methods of communication that had helped unite our states and territories into a nation and facilitated communication, railroad transportation, and commerce. These methods of communication are the telegraph and the ocean cable. These methods still exist although their elements have been incorporated into today's sophisticated equipment.

Wireless telegraphy (radio) was developed by scientists and experimenters familiar with land telegraphy. Many of the early operators of the wireless came from the ranks of men and women who had worked in telegraph and railroad offices. These telegraphers were a colorful bunch. Books have been written of their adventures and heroism in the fields of railroad transportation, news and sports reporting, war, and personal messages. All operators, land and wireless, consider themselves members of an international brotherhood/sisterhood.

Long before the complicated equipment for voice communication had been developed, intelligence was transmitted by key in dots and dashes of Morse code. The technique of using the key takes considerable practice. Just as handwriting is distinct for each individual, the technique of an operator's keying - known as his "fist" - is also unique for each operator. To land and wireless operators, copying a good "fist" is like listening to good music. Accuracy and speed characterize the expert operator.

In wireless and radio, communication by code has special advantages. The equipment for code transmission - known as CW (continuous wave) - is much simpler than for voice transmission. When atmospheric disturbances, static, and fading make voice unintelligible, code will still get through. By means of code characters and procedures, operators of different nations can communicate with one another.

It is true that, with the rapid development of exotic and automated methods of communication, much has been gained. But it is also true that something has been lost. That something that has been lost is the "personal equation".

The following is a list of some of the organizations in the United States devoted primarily to the historical aspects of land, cable, and wireless telegraphy:

- Morse Telegraph Club and its publication "Dots & Dashes"
- French Cable Station Museum - Orleans, Massachusetts
- Society of Wireless Pioneers and its publication "The Sparks Journal"
- Old, Old Timers' Club and its publication "Spark Gap Times"
- Quarter Century Wireless Association and its publication "QCWA NEWS".

This article, written by Dave Levine, WB4ESH, for the Volusia Anthropological Society, has been published by permission granted by them, jointly.

CENTRAL OKLAHOMA CHAPTER 63

Central Oklahoma Chapter has kicked off its fall activities with a quarterly dinner meeting scheduled for October 16, 1983.

The meeting will feature presentation of the Nominating Committees slate of candidates for the 1984 election of Officers and Directors to be held at the January, 1984 meeting.

The Chapter sponsored a QCWA Breakfast at Ham Holiday 83, this past summer.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER QCWA NEWS

At our October meeting the following were elected to office for the Chapter year 1983-84:

Ralph Held, K6QS, President
Charles Taylor, W6EBX, Vice President
W. P. Morrison, W6OSD, Secretary
Laurence Harvey, N6LY, Treasurer

Corey Cook, K6ACY, our retiring President had the pleasure, along with all of us, to present the Golden Award to "Chuck" Taylor, W6EBX, our Vice President. Chuck is a fellow with lots of drive and the one who originated our solicitation for the QCWA Memorial Fund drive a year ago.

John Wieting, K6QM, and Sid Burnett, W6KSI, continue to mastermind the QCWA weekly net each Wednesday at 8PM, on 28.6 MHz. This weekly commitment requires considerable devotion to the Chapter in what might appear to be a thankless effort. However, to insure that it is not - a sincere and deeply appreciative "THANK YOU" to both. John and Sid are very active members in our South Bay Amateur Radio Society. Sid recently presented a program telling of his beginnings in amateur radio in 1922 with the call IAIN. He first held a commercial license in 1924, a tug boat operator, and then into the Navy where he served in the Naval Security Group for many years. Sid was a contributing editor to a recent Navy Cryptologic Veterans publication titled INTERCEPT STATION "C", which told of his days on Corregidor and his timely escape. We're proud to have him in our group.

Betty Brown, WA6KQC, one of our YL members recently suffered a heart attack, requiring hospitalization. We are happy to report that she is now up and about and enjoying life. OM, Jim, was reported to be considering a new vertical for Betty once his new roof was installed, which it now is.....sooooo! You'll have a nice signal, Betty.

San Diego's North Country YLRL will hold their annual Christmas luncheon, December 3, at the El Camino Country Club in Oceanside. Ten or more of the YL's are members of San Diego Chapter and when combined with an equal or greater number of OM's, it almost becomes a QCWA affair. The YL's put on a nice party and we OM's thoroughly enjoy being part of their celebration.

During October the Chapter lost two of its members. Walter Lockhart, W6SCI (10069), who lived in Carlsbad and was active on 2 meters locally. He was a charter member of the Rock Creek Amateur Radio Association - Maryland/Washington, DC area and will be missed by many friends there as well as in our area. The other Silent Key is Wesley J. Novotny, W6YSP (6472). Wes was active in several areas - as a communicator in the San Diego Mountain Rescue Group, an organization well known for their quick response in time of personal emergency and rescue operations, as well as being one of the control stations in the TACO Net. This Net is staffed by a large number of amateurs in Southern California and various Mexican stations over the Baja Peninsula. They provide important contact for numerous stations along Baja, which have no other means of communication when in need of assistance, medical supplies, etc. They provide a really worthwhile service.

- Si Morrison, W6OSD -

MIDCONTINENT CHAPTER(35)

Midcontinent Chapter(35) announces officers chosen for the year 1984, as follows:

Ken Klippel, W6FN, President
Mac McAllister, W0CW, Vice President
Ron Wood, K0BRO, Secty/Treasurer

Elections were held during the November, 1983 dinner meeting. An earlier dinner meeting was held during April, 1983.

- Ron, K0BRO -

NORTHERN LIGHTS CHAPTER 92 ANNUAL ARMISTICE DAY CONCLAVE

Peggy's Cafe banquet room Armistice Day, November 11, 1983, highlighted Northern Lights Chapter 92 of Anchorage, Alaska, with 29 members and guests. This was the 9th annual meeting of this World Peace by Amateur Radio QCWA Chapter that passes a lighted candle around the table for "Peace in the World by Radio" at its Armistice Day meeting.

Officers for 1984 were elected. KL7MD "Muddy Duck", Jasper Heath, was voted Chairman/President. KL7FK0, Al Bianco, becomes the new Vice President, and KL7PG, Harold Hitchens, is Northern Lights Chapter 92 Secretary/Treasurer. Outgoing officers, KL7PJ, KL7BJD, AND KL7EKZ, were relieved of the past years duties at this time.

The Dinner Program featured KL7PJ story of his DX-pedition to the Pribilof Islands. KL7FK0 related his recent journey to Israel with vivid photography. KL7DG, Founder, offered a prayer for KL7JR, John Manley, and KL7PE, John Huber, who died in 1983. After the formal meeting, KL7DG proposed a Friendship Union with DALLAS, TEXAS QCWA Chapter for summer-winter visitors of QCWA between the Lone Star and the North Star States. KL7MD had suggested a retirement home for hams if there could be found enough National support.

In the picture below, L-R, are: Marj Sappah, KL7YG, 1982 Secty/Treas; Chuck Sappah, KL7PJ, 1983 President; Al Pacheco, KL7EKZ, 1983 Secty/Treas; Mary Olendorf, KL7BJD, 1983 Vice President. At lower front-right is Alaska QSL Manager, John Bierman, KL7GNP, special guest at the meeting.



In the picture below, Howard H. Burkher (standing) with his wife, a former KL7, seated at his right. The Burkher couple have been Alaskan Teachers in remote areas since 1946. KL7AVX, Mac, and his wife, Evelyn, are seated at the far left.



HIGHLANDS COUNTY CHAPTER (121)

A report from Highlands Chapter shows plenty of activity. Phil McMasters reported that a number of members are renewing their dues and QCWA Treasurer, Wes Randles and Blanche have visited recently. A new member to the Chapter, Gordon Hennon, W4OWX, was joined as Wes and Blanche, W4COW & W4GXZ joined to swell the ranks.

Meetings are expected to be held monthly at the Ranch Haus Restaurant in Avon Park.

- Phil W4BCZ -

WIRELESS MEMORIES - BY KEITH STREET, G3DKS/W4

Previous short articles which I have jotted down for your amusement covered the 1920's and 1930's, but after eight of them, the old computer seems to have run out of memory. So I thought that it might be fun to recall the immediate post-World War II period - which after all, is now nearly 40 years ago, and just before the formation of the QCWA. The war years themselves were not funny at all.

Returning from a most interesting spell of duty in Berlin in 1945, I found myself on the Secretariat of the Wireless Telegraphy Board and the British Joint Communications Board in London. We had splendid offices at 143 Piccadilly, which was next door to a home occupied by King George VI, when he was Duke of York, and our primary assignment was to sort out the mess which had built up in the world of wireless, mostly due to World War II, since the ITU World Administrative Telecommunications Conference held at Cairo in Egypt in 1938.

In particular, we were concerned to set up a new Frequency Allocation Table, to take care of new requirements like radar, to allow for restarting the amateur service and of course to ensure that the US and UK military services retained room to operate. At that time, we still had a "Combined Chiefs of Staff" in Washington, so that US/UK cooperation was very close. Of course, there were many nations who also wanted a piece of the action, but in general, in those simpler days, many went along with Uncle Sam, and others with "Uncle King": we could count, for example, upon Canadian, Australian, New Zealand, Indian, African, etc, support and together with friends and allies, we figured that we had enough support to sort things out.

The first move was to get the US and UK plans lined up, and for this purpose a Government-to-Government conference was set up in Bermuda, where many divergencies were resolved. The next problem was that the World War II Allies included Russia, France and China, and clearly they should be given a share in the decision-making. Fortunately, China didn't want to play, and both France and Russia accepted the idea of preliminary 5-power conferences in Paris and Moscow, with a final World-wide affair at Atlantic City in the US in 1947.

The Atlantic City Conference with some 1000 delegates from 150 nations taking part throughout the summer of 1947, is a story in itself, but first I'd like to tell you a little about the prior 5-power conferences, and especially the Moscow affair.

In 1946 we went to Paris, and reached agreement on our proposed Frequency Plan with the French, including the expected start-up of an expanded amateur service, although it was already apparent that the "short wave" radio broadcast interests were going to demand vast areas of spectrum space, and that battle would be joined over the carve-up of the HF bands. However, my chief memories of the Paris Conference were:

1. The absolutely splendid hotel suite in which I found myself accommodated, due to the fact that my Boss had described me to the Quai d'Orsay (French Foreign Office) as a "Chef du Division", since no other French description seemed to him to fit. As a result, the Delegation Meetings and Cocktail Parties were held in my rooms, and I got very little sleep.
2. The absolutely marvellous meals which the French Delegation served up at our "working" lunches and dinners - at that time, food was still severely rationed in England.
3. The "Girls Grand Prix" which occurred each evening as we tried to leave our hotel. A large posse of "ladies of the evening" raced their Renaults, Peugots and Citroens across the Place de la Concorde to enquire whether they might be of service.

Then, on to Moscow in October 1946 where, upon arrival, it became clear at once that the Russians had suffered greatly

during World War II. Although physical damage was less apparent, conditions generally seemed worse than in the London we had just left - and those were surely bad enough in 1946. We were accommodated in what had been a magnificent Victorian-type hotel - 30 years before: typically, when one turned on a "hot" tap in the bathrooms, there was a long pause, a gurgle, and a pint or so of brown fluid ran out. However, a lot of amusing things happened; for example, on the first morning we walked (of course, there were no cars or taxis) to the British Embassy, where we were told to be very circumspect in what we said and did, and thence to the conference room set aside by our hosts in the Kremlin. There, after greetings, we found that they wanted to break up into sub-committees to get down to Frequency Table details right away. So, two of us military types went back to the hotel to bring the appropriate papers: arrived in our Leader's suite, we found a chap on a step-ladder saying "One, two, three, can you hear me?" in Russian to the chandelier, where he had obviously just installed a microphone. We waved airily to him, and said "Don't mind us - please carry on", to his obvious embarrassment.

That evening, we "swept" our rooms carefully, and found at least two rather large and crude microphones in each. Chandeliers and plant pots seemed to be the favorite hiding places. So we left them there, and used them to feed wrong information (and some dirty stories) to the recording staff in the basement. Our "Delegation Meetings" were held in bathrooms, where our chairman sat on the "throne" and we on the floor, because the heavily-tiled bathrooms appeared not to be wired for sound. I shall never forget the story told of one senior Civil Servant, who found a cable running under his carpet from the skirting board: He borrowed a pair of wire cutters and nipped the supposed microphone lead. There was then a mighty crash and a yell from the room below, as the chandelier (supported only by its electric cable) fell from the ceiling!

On the second night, there was a large Reception, with much vodka and caviar. Our Chairman, who was rather a cunning diplomat, set the tone for the evening: asked our host, "Sir Stanley, what would you like to see whilst you are here in Moscow?" and he replied "Thank you, I think I'd like to see the Bolshoi Ballet and Stalin's Tomb". In the horrified silence which followed, he added "So sorry, I meant Lenin's Tomb". A colleague and I then discovered several microphones in plant pots, and put on our special act. I would say, "No Tony, you can't tell me that our dear Russian friends and allies would wire up this place to spy on us", and he would reply "No, of course not - and just to prove it, I'll say something I would never say if I thought they were listening", and then he would put his face close to the "hidden" mike and yell "***** Joe Stalin!" We then poured our vodka over the microphone, and passed on to the next potted palm.

In our Delegation, we had a bright young man from the Foreign Office who spoke Hungarian. He would telephone the Embassy and ask for a colleague who had similar linguistic talents. They would chat for a short while, and pass messages: then the line would go dead, and the operator would break in with profuse apologies. After three days, the line remained open, so we figured that they had found out what language was being used, and found a suitable interpreter. Hungarian was thereafter used to pass false information. Of course, nowadays in Moscow, things are much more sophisticated.

We also had with us a shapely secretary from the Admiralty, and she had very red hair - which was evidently a great rarity in Moscow. We walked her frequently across Red Square and, (although traffic was then very light, and only Government cars) we always counted several "fenders benders" as the chauffeurs drove into one another whilst looking over their shoulders at Carole.

Then there was "Olga Polovski, the beautiful spy" - a trap we had been warned about. This deep-voiced siren telephoned every one of us in turn, and offered all kinds of delights if we would meet her at her apartment. Everyone made dates,

and none of us (as far as I know) ever kept them. Apparently the deal was that, once you were there and the two of you undressed, NKVD agents (now of course called KGB) would burst in and take embarrassing photographs, which they hoped to use later for blackmail purposes.

In between all this fun and games, we had a number of serious meetings, at which the bones of the Frequency Table were agreed; and we made friends with the Leader of the Russian Delegation (then Deputy Minister of Communications), and I in particular became friendly with a Red Air Force major who had flown our Hurricane aircraft against the Luftwaffe. In 1947 these people appeared at the great Atlantic City Conference, and partly because of these friendships, we were there able to agree on the rules and frequency usage which served us well until the recent WARC in 1979. In particular, we were able to hold onto most of the 1938 amateur radio bands, and to agree new allocations at 21 - 21.45 Mhz; the now famous 2-metre band was established, as were 420 - 450 and new bands (some shared) at 1215, 2350, 5650 and 10,000 Mhz.

During the conference, our friends every move was watched by a uniformed Colonel-Commissar type, whose vocabulary seemed to consist solely of the Russian word "Nyet". Happily, he could not be in two places at once, and by suitably arranging meetings, we did get a fair degree of agreement on Frequency Allocation. Unfortunately, upon their return to the USSR, we heard that these two more cooperative types were "purged", perhaps because they failed to wreck the conference to the degree their masters would have wished. I am only glad that we were able to help our friends to have a really good time in the US for six months, before they went back into the Darkness.

MOHAWK VALLEY CHAPTER #42

The fall meeting of Mohawk Valley Chapter #42, was held October 15, 1983, at Club Monarch, Yorkville, NY, just outside of Utica, NY.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Everett Radley, W2QBV (6145), who passed away since our last meeting. 38 members and guests attended and enjoyed a program by Professor Suskie, of Mohawk Valley Community College, who described her recent trip to Iceland.

The following new Officers for 1984, were elected:

William P. Pulhamus, W2IYC, President
G. William Henry, W2WNK, Scty/Treasurer

In the picture below are shown the outgoing and incoming Officers: L-R, they are:

W. J. Kenefick, W2QFE; M. K. Landers, W2QXA; W. P. Pulhamus, W2IYC and G. W. Henry, W2WNK.



Our spring meeting will be held in April, 1984, date and place to be determined by the new officers.

- M. K. Landers, W2QXA -

MANY GOOD MEMBERS SEND CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR GREETINGS TO HQ. TO ALL OF THEM AND TO EVERYONE EVERYWHERE, MAY YOU BE BLESSED IN 1984!

METRO N.Y. CHAPTER QCWA #46

The Metro NY Chapter of QCWA held its fall meeting on September 14, 1983, at the Freemason's Grill, in New York City. In the absence of Milton, W2SF, Dave, W2AUF, officiated at the meeting.

Lunch was served at 12:30PM and afterward each one present identified himself by name and call. There were 20 members present. Larry Horne, N2NY, who had set up his Betamax and monitor, showed us a few of his video cassettes he had made for the purpose of teaching Amateur Radio. Several taped interviews shown included Vi Grossman, W2JZX, who talked about handling traffic by way of Ham Radio... Harry Dannals, W2HD and George Diehl, W2IHA, talked about other aspects of Amateur Radio. The presentation was well received and enjoyed by all present. We are indebted to Larry and his wife, Ginny, and to John Mahoney, producer of Larry's TV show, and to Ham Master Tapes.

Shown in the picture below, L-R are: Ginny Horne, N2EGJ and Larry, N2NY.



- David, W2AUF -

UPPER MIDWEST CHAPTER #8

The Chapter's November 3rd meeting was held at Viking Village, Lake Street at 27th Avenue, Minneapolis. A 6PM buffet dinner was attended by 36 members. After the dinner, President Fred Childs had each member stand and introduce himself and guests.

Jack Webb gave a short talk on the National QCWA Convention held in Denver, September 30/October 1.

President Childs advised members that Stuart Meyer, President of QCWA, would give a talk at our January meeting. The time and date of this meeting will be announced upon fixing a date for Mr. Meyer's arrival in MSP.

President Childs then introduced Gar Anderson, Vice President of ARRL, who was the speaker of the evening. Mr. Anderson gave a good outline of what went on at the ARRL National Convention at Houston. He also went into ARRL's view on Volunteer Amateur Operators Exams, etc. Perry Williams, lobbyist for ARRL said the FCC will select the questions to be given by the coordinators. The questions will be changed every thirty days. A fee of \$4 will be charged to the applicants for administering the tests. Gar also explained Antenna Problem with regards to height etc. The Space Shuttle "2" meter activity will be transmitted on 145.55, 143.55 and 147.55 MHz. Shuttle operator will monitor on odd minutes and transmit on even minutes. Mr. Anderson read a list of items why we should support the ARRL. He then fielded some questions from members.

Bob Gillie asked President Childs if it would be possible to get the minutes of the QCWA National Convention. Pres. Childs advised he would check with Stuart Meyer for this information.

- Jack, W0GVV -

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W5CJZ

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MICHIGAN CHAPTER 10

About 50 members and guests met at noon on May 18, 1983, at Zehnders, of Frankenmuth for our annual business meeting and dinner. The weather, dinner and fellowship all matched and were excellent.

There were two main items of business: Election of Officers for 1983/84 and presentation of 50-year Certificates. The newly elected officers of Chapter 10 are:

Chuck Zeigler, W8GLV, President
Lyle Dusenbury, W8DIV, Vice President
Ralph Jackson, W8LA, Treasurer
Don Christensen, W8WOJ, Secretary

A high-point of the meeting was presentation of the 50-year certificates to three of our members of long standing. Francis Gary, W8GJH, awarded the certificates to Alex Polityka, W8FLA; Ed Prested, W8IAC; and Ken Robson, W8IHF. Our congratulations go to these fine gentlemen.

In the picture below, shown, L-R are: President Merle, W8LUI; Newly elected President, Chuck, W8GLV; Treasurer, Jack, W8LA; Vice President Lyle, W8DIV, and Polly, W8FLA, immediate past Secretary.



Thanks were due to Henry, W8ESA for making arrangements at the restaurant and to Tom, K8BKF and Bo, K8ACO, for the photographs.



Some of those who received Awards are shown here, at the left, Ken Robson, W8IHF, receives the Golden Certificate from Gary, W8GJH!

At right, Polly Polityka, W8FLA, is handed his Golden Certificate from Gary, W8FLA!



YANKEE CHAPTER

On Saturday, October 1, 1983, the Yankee Chapter held a meeting in Mystic, Connecticut, at the Ramada Inn. 50 persons attended. After a fine luncheon, Don Brown, W1JSM, gave a talk on satellite communications with tapes of contacts that had been made. His talk was informative to all.

The 50 persons attending made it in spite of a real down-pour going on outside!

- Charlie, W1EFC -

EDISON AS A TELEGRAPHER

D. K. deNeuf WA1SPM

Thomas Alva Edison, the prolific inventor, as almost everybody knows was a Morse telegrapher in his early years. But even then he displayed real imagination and inventiveness. On one slow railroad wayside telegraph office job he was required to send an identification signal to the dispatcher every hour. So that he could devote his attention to more interesting things Edison devised a clock mechanism which would transmit the signal automatically. It worked perfectly. But the dispatcher claims he found Edison asleep on an inspection tour and he fired him.

On one occasion a flooding river separated a town in which Edison worked, washing out the railroad bridge and all communications. Edison climbed into the cab of a stalled locomotive and began signalling in Morse code, calling a telegraph operator in another part of town across the river. He caught on quickly and commandeered another locomotive. Two-way emergency communications was established perhaps for the first time, using Morse code via steam whistles!

Edison eventually graduated into operating in a large telegraph office. He was a notably slow hand sender, but a real top notch receiver. On his first day at the office the Chief Operator wanted to see how good Edison was and at the same time probably provide some laughs for the old-timers in the office. He assigned him to the "hottest" wire in the office, manned by a high-speed artist at the other end of the circuit. He started sending to Edison at a moderate rate of speed, then kept increasing it until the wire almost smoked. A crowd gathered around Edison to watch the performance. Finally, exasperated because Edison had not once "broken" him to ask for a repeat, he said, "Hey, are you really copying all this?" Edison, with a telegraphic yawn replied, "Oh yes. Why don't you try sending with the other foot for a while?" The crowd cheered and clapped in recognition of Edison's skill.

PELICAN CHAPTER, NUMBER 128

Pelican Chapter has had a very successful year under our President, Jack Mandel, W4PLW. Our November 16 meeting involved a boat trip around Old Tampa Bay. It was the highlight of the year...the food was superb, the scenery was almost unbelievable, and the weather was great. We cruised aboard the Belle of St. Petersburg, a double-decked, twin scow yacht. The cruise was for about two hours and covered 25 miles of scenic beauty around Tampa Bay.....and best of all, the Board of Directors of Pelican Chapter approved a resolution that all paidup members be given a special discount for this cruise/luncheon...the cost was \$8 however, our members paid just \$5, with the Chapter treasury covering the added charge. Immediately following the cruise, we held a meeting at the local park in order to hear the report of the Nominating Committee composed of Harry Bloechle, K4WP, Chairman, Reg Iverson, K4QZ; and Buck Lewis, W4BV. Their report included the following:

Jack Whitely, W4CZS, President
Blanche Randles, W4GXZ, Vice President
Art Monsees, W4BK, Secretary
Phil Stern, W4ZVO, Treasurer

Directors were: Harold Grigsby, AA4MF; Jack Mandel, W4PLW; Herm Witman, K4EGM; Buck Lewis, W4BV & Reg Iversen, K4QZ.

The slate of candidates for Officers & directors was unanimously adopted to serve for the year 1984.

The annual Christmas Party of the Chapter was held at the Sea Ketch Restaurant, December 21st. The Ladies prepared refreshments, raffle tickets were sold, and gifts were exchanged. A man brought a man's gift and a lady brought a ladies gift.

It is anticipated that the Membership Roster for the Pelican Chapter will be distributed around the middle of February, 1984.

- Art, W4BK -

MEMBERS NEWLY ENROLLED IN QCWA

Date	No.	Call	City	Sponsor	Call
09-12-83	17,293	Joseph H. Campbell	K9JNR	Chicago, IL	-
	17,294	David B. Popkin	W2CC	Englewood, NJ	-
	17,295	Ron De Feo	WA2BSW	Metuchen, NJ	-
09-13-83	17,296	Ray A. Gomes	K9KKX	Skokie, IL	-
	17,297	Lois N. Bixler	W4PON	Floral City, FL	Harold L. Carpenter K4JTI
	17,298	Lin C. Wetterau, Jr	W5BLC	Lubbock, TX	-
	17,299	Stephen W. Tolley	W4OKM	Lynchburg, VA	-
09-14-83	17,300	Merrill S. Smith	W5VIZ	Mountain Home, AR	Leland Smith W5KL
09-16-83	17,301	Thomas L. Mix	N8BVX	Grand Rapids, MI	-
	17,302	R. Alfred Whiting	K3BRS	Lanham, MD	Ethel Smith K4LMB
	17,303	Frank Kiefer	K2PWG	Port Jefferson Sta., NY	Harry Dannals W2HD
	17,304	Robert T. Smith	K9ESI	Elmhurst, IL	-
	17,305	John H. Davison	W0ZFN	Kirkwood, MO	-
09-19-83	17,306	William R. Monk	W5THN	Nashua, NH	-
	17,307	John C. Pomeroy	W4RXT	Traverse City, MI	Helen Schmock W8GJX
09-20-83	17,308	Stanley Ackerman	W2HVL	Delray Beach, FL	David Talley W2PF
	17,309	Rick Smith	K7GDN	Eugene, OR	Jim Walsh W7LVN
	17,310	George R. Thatcher	WB4N	Asheville, NC	-
09-21-83	17,311	Woodrow Smith	W6BCX	Anaheim, CA	W6CL, K6PG, K6PQ, et al
	17,312	Roland E. Mousaw	N4GYA	Pensacola, FL	-
	17,313	C. Mike Brennan	W5QOC	Austin, TX	David B. Farris K5NT
09-22-93	17,314	Owen K. Garriott	W5LFL	Houston, TX	Vic Clark W4KFC
09-22-83	17,315	LeRoy C. Hartman	W2UBU	Elmira, NY	-
	17,316	Stephen M. Geis	W0KOC	Glendale, MO	John Kenyon W0NWV
09-23-82	17,317	Leon Emerson	NM6M	Downey, CA	Bud Hammons K6EDN
09-26-83	17,318	Fred W. Carlberg	N6WP	Carpinteria, CA	-
	17,319	Henry Grossman	W2HM	Bronxville, NY	-
	17,320	Edward M. Fahey	W1OKS	Lewiston, ME	Salvatore Aliano W1CUW
	17,321	Edward K. Clark	K8MAZ	Port Clinton, OH	Nelson Knisely W8JMK
	17,322	Edward P. Drake	W1KFD	Lebanon, NH	-
09-27-83	17,323	Frank A. Strickland Sr	WO4I	Columbus, GA	-
	17,324	Helen G. Miller	KB4FVH	Asheville, NC	Robert H. Miller W4AEY
	17,325	Michael F. Elliott	W8KRR	Centerville, OH	-
	17,326	Clarels E. Darrow	KF6CI	Los Angeles, CA	Rian L. Robison W6SVU
	17,327	Joseph F. Berounsky	K0QDB	Omaha, NE	R. H. Brenneman W0UQJ
09-28-83	17,328	Elbert L. Niece	W5KSJ	Albuquerque, NM	-
09-30-83	17,329	Mozelle M. Holland	K4VVA	Siler City, NC	L. L. Holland W4OI
	17,330	Lloyd Bayley Chapman	W8WHA	Toledo, OH	-
	17,331	Paul Roberts	K5HHM	Houston, TX	R. Stepczyk W5WVY
	17,332	Travis H. Redman	W5MXI	Bandera, TX	Louis Kocurek W5VIV

From the year 1934, Leland Smith, W5KL, sends a picture of four young men taken at Philadelphia Navy Yard, June, 1934. All four were hams and were radio operators aboard destroyers on a Naval Reserve Cruise out of Charleston, SC. L-R, they are:

Dan Laxon, W4AAR (Now W4DL; Bob Daniel, W4DL (Now K6EX); Leland Smith, W4AGI (now W5KL) and, George Gammell, W4CFD.



Leland says, "All four lived in Atlanta at the time, I don't know what Dan Laxon and Bob Daniel were doing at the time, but I was living in a tent in the CCCs. George Bammell was a messenger in the composing room of the Atlanta Journal. We are hoping for a reunion in person, in 1984!"

DAYTON/CINCINNATI CHAPTER #9

Dayton-Cincinnati Chapter has announced results of the election of Officers for 1984....those taking charge are:

Douglas H. Horner, W8PH, President

Morse Wiemer, W8EY, Vice President

Courtney Schum, AI80, Secty/Treasurer

They are shown in the picture below, L-R, they are:

W8EY

AI80

W8PH



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Date	No.	Name	Call	City	Sponsor	Call
09-30-83	17,333	Mary K. Schilling	K5SIS	McAllen, TX	Ralph Schilling	W5AFK
10-03-83	17,334	Richard D. Sikora	W9GMV	Menomonee Falls, WI	-	-
	17,335	M. R. Butterfield	VE7BYG	Surrey, BC	Allen S. Groom	VE7AYN
	17,336	Rob Ravenstein	W1FDR	Chelmsford, MA	-	-
	17,337	A. Bernard Callahan	W4FLP	Lynchburg, VA	Ralph Van Scoyk	W4FOD
	17,338	J. Phil Powledge	K5SVS	Little Rock, AR	-	-
	17,339	Bruce D. Martin	W3QLH	Conneaut Lake, PA	Charles S. Garrigus	W3NRU
10-04-83	17,340	Robert N. Simmons,	W4UKJ	Columbus, GA	E. J. Kosobucki	K4JNL
	17,341	Larry McDowell	KA6NSQ	Long Beach, CA	Violet Barret	W6CBA
	17,342	Lowell R. Wayman	W9BPD	Chicago, IL	-	-
	17,343	Robert H. Watson	W4DTV	Orlando, FL	-	-
	17,344	Philip S. Drake, Sr	W1SVT	Derby, VT	-	-
	17,345	Robert L. Scott	W1RNA	Swanton, VT	-	-
10-07-83	17,346	Raymond H. Page	W6WPP	Lake Elsinore, CA	-	-
	17,347	Ruth L. Rickett	W8LGY	Worthington, OH	Ralph V. Rickett	W8BTW
	17,348	Kenneth H. Cross	W7HFN	Ellensburg, WA	George A. Onsum	W7IC
10-10-83	17,349	Dean E. Kimball	W8KTM	Yellow Springs, OH	Ed Fisher/Bob Wilson	W8PQZ/JRN
	17,350	David P. Bates	W2HLI	Amagansett, NY	-	-
10-12-83	17,351	John E. Cooper	K4JES	Lake Placid, FL	Phil McMasters	W4BCZ
	17,352	Harry W. Reynolds	VE3MO	Jarvis, ON	Mel Riddell	VE3OU
	17,353	Ottis P. Tucker, Jr	K4OOD	Bradenton, FL	Albert C. Hodson,	W4PJF
	17,354	Kaye Binger	W4MPA	Tamarac, FL	-	-
	17,355	Leslie W. Bruce	W0OX	Boulder, CO	Stuart C. Edmonds	W0GW
10-17-83	17,356	Al Jones	K6DIA	Richland, WA	Howard Barton	W7UO
	17,357	Norman H. Williams	K6BI	San Francisco, CA	-	-
	17,358	Irwin R. Johnson	W6CDN	Los Osos, CA	-	-
	17,359	Marvin Blasser	W5NFZ	Dallas, TX	Ethel Smith	K4LMB
10-18-83	17,360	H. P. Hartman	W3KY	McKeesport, PA	-	-
	17,361	Robert T. Harding	W3JEE	Montchanin, DE	-	-
	17,362	Donald D. Stone	K7DWT	Marathon, FL	-	-
10-20-83	17,363	Edward W. Yoder	W3YMB	Southbury, CT	-	-
	17,364	Kenneth W. Schang	W8LU	Plymouth, MI	-	-
10-21-83	17,365	Philip L. Kellen	K6CJ	Sacramento, CA	-	-
10-24-83	17,366	G. Clifford Wiehr	K8GLM	Warren, MI	-	-
	17,367	Kenneth L. Noble	W8JYB	Lansing, MI	-	-
	17,368	Lee Menard	W4IQW	Daytona Beach, FL	Henry B. Poole, Jr.	K4MH
10-25-83	17,369	Harry R. Jemlems	K0SFA	Crete, NE	John P. Jacobs	W0CSW
	17,370	Kathleen J. Callanan	W8KKM	Rose Hill, KS	R. Lyle Surtees	W0UUS
	17,371	Robert C. MacKinnon	N4IFS	Hickory, NC	-	-
	17,372	Herbert H. Stevens	W6RSP	Orangevale, CA	-	-
	17,373	John T. Harrison, Jr	K3HEQ	Ridley Park, PA	-	-
10-27-83	17,374	Tony Drabicky	W2ESS	Hendersonville, NC	-	-
10-28-83	17,375	Richard A. Farquhar	W8FO	Columbus, OH	-	-

NATIONAL CAPITAL CHAPTER

On June 29, 1983, about 50 members and guests of the National Capital Chapter #70 QCWA, met at the Continental Dining Lounge of the Nepean Sportsplex for dinner. Following the meal, Jim Commerford, of the YMCA, addressed the meeting on the subject of "When Seconds Count", which dealt with what should be a persons reaction when faced with an emergency such as a heart attack, choking, etc. The talk was informative and enlightening in many aspects and the members came away with a much better idea of what to do and what not to do when faced with the emergencies touched on.

This was a "Ladies Night" and the turnout of our Ladies was very gratifying. Arrangements were hindered by our President, Wiggy Wigglesworth, being posted to the East Coast, he is now VE1US. His duties are being ably performed by Ken Curry, VE3PF, who stepped up from Director to take over as President.

Chapter membership now stands at 46 and most members stress the social aspects of our meetings - looking forward to meeting old friends and talking over old times which they have little opportunity to do at any other time or place.

- Carl Everson, VE3BYX -

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Pictured above, George Onsum, W7IC, at his rig.. George is chewing his nails about what to do to an editor who spells his name Osnumb! Apologies to George and to all others who fall prey to old nimble fingers! Incidentally, isn't that a fine layout?

MEMBERS NEWLY ENROLLED IN QCWA

Date	No.	Name	City	Sponsor	Call	
10-28-83	17,376	Donald Simon	NI6A	El Cerrito, CA	Cynthia Delauney	W6PHT
	17,377	John M. Shinall	K4BYK	Cumming, GA	-	-
	17,378	Bill Marx	K2PEQ	Ft Lauderdale, FL	Ted Heithecker	W5EJ
	17,379	Wm. R. Campbell	W7AAO	Glenns Ferry, ID	G. I. Moser	W7PCP
	17,380	Ron Follmar	K5GIT	Alvin, TX	-	-
	17,381	James V. Tarpley, Jr	W4LEZ	Bessemer City, NC	Henry G. Elwell, Jr	N4UH
10-31-83	17,382	E.R. Giese	W9UCL	Rice Lake, WI	L. A. Peterson	W9YCV
	17,383	Billy R. Black	W4KJT	Fort Mill, SC	-	-
	17,384	Robert Grayson	WA6JLN	Agoura, CA	Jerrie Stonier	K6INK
	17,385	Frank H. Norman	W3IKJ	Levittown, PA	Milton Chaffee	W1EFW
	17,386	Frances Eckland	K9JSY	Fish Creek, WI	H. C. Eckland	W9SKX
	17,387	S. A. Schreiber	KD5UQ	Dickinson, TX	J. B. Graham	W5VXV
	17,388	-	-	-	-	-
	17,389	Arthur C. Rustad	KC2CB	Baldwin, NY	-	-
	17,390	Thomas J. Billings Jr	W0TRD	St. Paul, MN	Frank J. Moser	W0SNX
	17,391	Ralph F. Schilling III	W6MSX	Torrance, CA	-	-
11-01-83	17,392	Theodore A. Chinn, Sr	K8NJQ	Cincinnati, OH	Charles O. Southern	W8PNK
	17,393	Pete Anderson	WSVYV	Hobbs, NM	Frank A. Lester	W5ATM
	17,394	Raymon Coleman	W5IJD	Sadler, TX	Frank Lester	W5ATM
	17,395	Arthur L. Runyon	WSZTE	Hurst, TX	Frank A. Lester	W5ATM
	17,396	Francis Runyon	W5FUG	Hurst, TX	-	-
	17,397	Martin M. Green	K5OWK	Harlingen, TX	Frank A. Lester	W5ATM
11-02-83	17,398	David W. Stapleton	W1GJV	Venice, FL	Robert L. Bookwalter	W4NWF
	17,399	H. Kay McCune	W8LNL	North Canton, OH	Jess Wilson	W8LDQ
11-04-83	17,400	Garry Owen	W5MDG	Roswell, NM	-	-
11-04-83	17,401	Joseph Szczech, Jr	K1IKE	East Haddam, CT	-	-
11-06-83	17,402	Robert A. Payne	K1BFG	Suffield, CT	-	-
	17,403	William Woody	W6TUI	Fresno, CA	L. W. Brammer	W6BYH
	17,404	John W. Dresser	N1CHA	Cape Elizabeth, ME	-	-
11-08-83	17,405	Josef Schilling	WB5YKD	Oklahoma City, OK	-	-
	17,406	John W. Bryant	N4AQD	Tallahassee, FL	-	-
	17,407	James W. Armstrong	N4HZR	Silver Springs, FL	Harold L. Carpenter	K4JTI
	17,408	Clayton Bashford	W8SDO	Miamisburg, OH	Robert L. Bookwalter	W4NWF
	17,409	Ed Campbell	K5SBR	Houston, TX	-	-
11-09-83	17,410	John W. Stein	N4CMW	Dunedin, FL	-	-
11-10-83	17,411	Mike Maloney	N7AGT	Conrad, MT	Leslie S. Blewett	W7OIO
11-14-83	17,412	Kenneth G. Bailey	W5OKU	Corpus Christi, TX	Joe Barr	W5GMT
	17,413	Edmund A. Bedat	NX4X	Ft. Myers, FL	David W. Bowman	W4QUU
	17,414	Robert E. Clifford	K4GGC	Falls Church, VA	Ross Reynolds	K3USO
11-15-83	17,415	David L. Glass	W8UKO	Alliance, OH	Nelson M. Caley	W8EAR
	17,416	Wilfred A. Coe	W0FPT	Byers, CO	-	-
11-16-83	17,417	Donald H. Cleveland	K9MWU	Fort Wayne, IN	Fred. W. Fischer	W9DCO

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W3CDN L. JOSEPH HEINE
W3HAX EDGAR O. MILLER
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W3LPP STEPHEN P. FRIDRICK
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DL1YA HANS SCHLEIFENBAUM
DJ2BO KARL WENTKER
DL3MK GERHARD BUCHHORN

ZL2JB E. J. STAN FRENCH

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Date	No.	Name	Call	City	Sponsor	Call
11-21-83	17,418	Byron S. Tucci	K9MBS	Bloomington, IL	Delmar W. Rowe	-
	17,419	Warren J. Baker	N5CLD	Gonzales, TX	-	-
	17,420	Dewayne E. Connell	KA0FNF	Oral, SD	Wesley A. Jones	W0WRY
11-22-83	17,421	J. Ed Tangel	K4IKT	Vero Beach, FL	K. Gansler	W4PSG
	17,422	William F. Scott	KD7MT	Tetonia, ID	John J. Scott	W0QTH
	17,423	Henry Hedden	K4TJK	Clinton, TN	Robert S. Embry	W4HHQ
	17,424	William A. Harris	W6MFZ	Oakland, CA	Jim Wren	K6IZY
11-23-83	17,425	Charles T. Zlatkovich	K5PPY	Austin, TX	Edmund C. Lynch	W5EQD
	17,426	Frank R. Wiggs	VE7FFF	Delta, BC	W. E. Savage	VE7FB
11-28-83	17,427	Travis M. Blackmore	K0HZW	St. Louis, MO	Wm. F. Johnson	K0ABK
	17,428	Percy A. Duncan	W8VPD	Milford, MI	-	-
	17,429	Ernest W. Mountjoy	K9HKF	Heyworth, IL	Delmar W. Rowe	W9BPU
	17,430	Herbert O. Schramm	W1GWO	Southbury, CT	-	-
11-29-83	17,431	Gerti-Ellen Mania	DL1GW	Kiel, FRG	A. Leinemann	DL9AR
	17,432	Carl Vogel	DL9RE	Frankfurt/Main, FRG	A. R. Guenther	DL9RW
	17,433	Edwin James Sande	W01EQ	Aurora, CO	-	-
	17,434	Dean S. Page	WB6ME0	Batavia, NY	Rollie Terrill	W5RC
	17,435	Walter H. Loesche	N2EPG	Freehold, NJ	Robert McKinley, Jr	W2QMR
	17,436	James H. Burns	W8LYS	McMillan, MI	-	-
11-30-83	17,437	Guy W. Bowden	W1BXM	Nashua, NH	-	-
	17,438	Orton L. Duggan, Jr	W4EQE	Cocoa, FL	Walter J. Hicks	K4PO
12-01-83	17,439	Edward L. McMullin	K4EPN	St. Petersburg, FL	-	-
	17,440	Howard Chase	WA6MXU	Tarzana, CA	Jerrie Stonier	K6INK
12-02-83	17,441	Richard M. Olson	K60SG	Lake Elsinore, CA	Lyle B. Gardner	N6LB
	17,442	Ted Christie	KA7CBT	Bellingham, WA	M. H. Strickland, Jr	W7FCH
12-05-83	17,443	Chester S. Sztuczko	WA9LXE	Elburn, IL	-	-
	17,444	Warren Bogin	W2GZA	Mt Sinai, NY	-	-
	17,445	Larry Herman	W3JTF	Erie, PA	Evelyn Baker	W3JQV
12-06-83	17,446	Joseph A. Walters	W0CQD	Loveland, CO	Bud Drake,	W0IPT
12-08-83	17,447	Bear Horn	LA4KG	Trondheim, Norway	-	-
	17,448	Glendall O. Bush	W9QC	Centralia, IL	Ken Bauer	W9WGQ
12-09-83	17,449	William L. Lawson	W40Q	Roswell, GA	-	-
	17,450	Ed Coan	AF1Y	Stonington, ME	-	-
	17,451	Robert E. Lindberg	W3KSG	Elizabeth, PA	M. L. Backstrom	W3DM
	17,452	Anthony J. Elia	K4EMN	Pfafftown, NC	-	-
	17,453	Jack Wheeler	KH6CC	Pauilo, HI	Jerrie Stonier	K6INK
12-12-83	17,454	Glenn H. Brower	K6AWC	Van Nuys, CA	Jerrie Stonier	K6INK
	17,455	Chester M. Gregory	N5BL	Las Cruces, NM	John H. Wilson	W50OU
	17,456	Claude P. Heape	K4KWK	West Melbourne, FL	Willard B. Chinn	N4KNZ
	17,457	Stu Goodman	K2RPZ	Rocky Point, NY	Harry Dannals,	W2HD
	17,458	Kenneth E. Dermon	K1BGI	Henniker, NH	-	-
	17,459	Harold A. Sprague	W1MED	Bradenton, FL	-	-
12-13-83	17,460	W. Paul Trouton	KN7I	Tempe, AZ	-	-
	17,461	Donald Wolford	N4CXW	Fort Lauderdale, FL	-	-
	17,462	Bill McClintock	K5SGG	Sherwood, AR	S. M. Pokorny	W5UAU
	17,463	Armond M. Noble	N6WR	Sacramento, CA	-	-
	17,464	Philip D. Lawrence, Jr	W4DGN	Atlanta, GA	Edmund Kosobucki	K4JNL
	17,465	Ellwood R. Irwin	VE6ZI	Barons, AL	W. R. Savage	VE6EO
	17,466	Edward H. Romney	N4DFX	Spartanburg, SC	-	-
12-16-83	17,467	Frederick V. Sprick	W2LPV	Clifton, NJ	-	-
	17,468	Edward F. Hungness	W0RJW	Wheaton, IL	-	-
12-20-83	17,469	Robert C. Christian	KD7PG	Kent, WA	Herb D. Williamson	K7LYT
	17,470	Herbert L. Spivey	NF5Y	Baldwyn, MS	-	-
	17,471	Carl Rae Swanson	W9SCN	Des Plaines, IL	Paul Crum	W9LC
	17,472	Richard D. Stansbury	W5SCS	Albuquerque, NM	-	-
	17,473	John E. Nelligan, Jr	KR3B	Hummelstown, PA	M. O'Keefe	KR3D

PALMETTO STATE CHAPTER 89

Palmetto Chapter's fall meeting was held October 8, 1983, at the Quality Inn, Columbia, SC. Nearly 60 were in attendance and had a fine time. After lunch, a comprehensive report on the National QCWA Denver meeting was given by Wade Holland, W4AZT, our Director. The highlight of the day was election of officers of the year 1984. Those elected and installed were:

Coleman B. Rowland, W4TWW, President
Thomas A. B. Smith, W4JSM, Second Vice President

William W. Neely, W4BJE, First Vice President
Ken Brandon, KE4CT, Executive Secretary

It was announced that a wonderful thing has happened....a check was received for the Chapter to set up a memorial fund in memory of Charlie Biele, ex W2AOS. Various things are under consideration as to the most appropriate manner in which to remember him. We are expecting an indication from Marjorie as to her wishes.

- Coleman, W4TWW -

HAD A LITTLE SPACE HERE AND THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE A GOOD TIME AND PLACE TO REMIND YOU OF THE REAL AND HONEST VALUE IN QCWA MEMBERSHIP. SURE, THERE'S SOME PRESTIGE IN BELONGING TO AN OLD-TIMERS GROUP THAT WAS ORIGINALLY MADE UP OF PIONEERS....BUT, THE GREATEST VALUE RESULTS IN PROPORTION TO WHAT YOU PUT INTO IT. PARTICIPATE, ENTER INTO EVERYTHING OFFERED, START A CHAPTER, GET UP OFF OF YOUR TUKUS AND GIVE OF YOURSELF....I GUARANTEE, YOU'LL GET TEN TIMES MORE FROM QCWA THAN YOU CAN EVER PUT INTO IT!

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY CHAPTER No. 77

The annual dinner meeting of the Northern New Jersey Chapter took place on November 11, at Burns Country Inn, Clifton. The 50 members & friends who attended had a gala evening which began with a friendly happy hour at six and dinner at eight followed by a most interesting program.

Dave Porter, K2BPP, presented his slide-film story on his trip to the South Pole, courtesy of the U. S. Navy, in appreciation for Dave's handling over 50,000 phone patches for Operation Deep Freeze personnel. Color photos were excellent and Dave's great understanding of the Polar area was most informative. Questions from members and guests after the presentation underscored the audience's interest and enjoyment.

President Musty Mustermann, W2TP, asked Gordon Gregory, N2IN, and Chairman of the Chapter's ELMER COMMITTEE, to introduce F. Wendell (Windy) Tietsworth, W2SUE, ELMER-OF-THE-YEAR for 1983 in the Northern New Jersey area. A feature of the presentation of the plaques, one of which rotates annually and one may be kept permanently, was the fact that Frank Leonard, W2NPT, 1982 winner, gave them to W2SUE, this year's winner. The event is pictured below: L-R, are shown: Wendell Tietsworth, W2SUE; Gordon Gregory, N2IN, the Elmer Chairman; and Frank Leonard, W2NPT, 1982 Elmer of the Year!



John Brischler, W2SGI, who emceed the meeting, called for a moment of silence in memory of Chapter members who had become Silent Keys during the past year. George Clark, W2JBL, was the lucky winner of the 50/50 raffle which netted \$50 for QCWA's Memorial Fund.

Four new members were present in person to receive their membership certificates, shown below, they are: L-R: Fred Sprick, W2LPV; LeRoy Woodruff, W2HTX; Albert Helfrick, K2BLA; and David Porter, K2BPP.



Carl Felt, N2XJ, Secretary, reported Chapter membership of 130 and that "Feedback" seemed to be helping improve communications between officers and members. Frederick Boenig, W2KHL, Treasurer, reported a bank balance of 289.52 with all expenses paid.

QCWA NW CHAPTER FOUR

Chapter Four's annual November dinner was a "repeat performance" of the 1982 event. It was held again in Lynwood, on the northern edge of Seattle, at the Landmark Inn. Jerry Johnson, KA7APK, made all arrangements for both, and the group gathered for an excellent dinner (Baron of Beef), preceded by fellowship and visiting. After the dinner, Bob Thurston, W7PGY, showed a film dealing with ARRL, in its new location, and acquainting us with its various activities and personnel.

All Chapter members were deeply concerned on hearing of Doc Spiké, W7OS, massive stroke paralyzing his right side. He has been moved from the hospital to a nursing home and has recovered enough to be aware of his surroundings and recognizes close friends, but still cannot speak. He is receiving physical therapy, but his right side is entirely paralyzed. Cliff Spike, W7OS, a retired dentist, licensed for many years, has not only been a moving force in Northwest Chapter Four from the beginning, but we understand he assisted Canton Ohio's Chapter 21 to get underway.

The Chapter recently learned that Arthur Kroeger, W7AYL, of Hillsboro, OR, became a silent key on April 15, 1983.

James Crandall, W7SVV, of Tacoma, is seriously ill, has been in and out of the hospital a number of times. We all wish him well and were happy to see him at our big annual event last June.

Chapter Four is continuing with its three Sunday Nets. One on CW, two on phone, and anyone interested in receiving a chapter bulletin can, by sending \$1.00 to Hal Johnston, W7PN, our Chapter Secretary. This is our only Chapter fee.

73, Beth, W7NJS -

CHAPTER 12 QCWA, SOUTHEAST FLORIDA CHAPTER

Instead of the usual luncheon meeting at the Chateau Bleu, Chapter 12 had a picnic at Bird Drive Park, October 22, 1983. The Committee who made arrangements for the affair were:

Glenn Roof, W4KO

Harry Pilafian, W4SQG

Ed Turnpugh, K4MAV

They did a fabulous job, and everyone had a wonderful time. Food was brought by all attending and there was a real "Pot Pourri" ranging from hamburgers to "store bought" fried chicken. The contests were commensurate to the age group represented, being one of brain rather than brawn. A beautiful potted Croton was the prize for a lucky lady.

There were 52 present and much good fellowship not mention a few tales of past glory (probably having grown with age). The November meeting will be the 3rd Saturday at the Chateau Bleu....hope to see you all there!

- Tracy, W4YN -

DETROIT METRO CHAPTER #61

Greetings from Detroit Metro Chapter #61! Following is a report of our first meeting of this season, in the conference room of Channel 7, TV. During this session we were favored by a most unusual presentation. Mr. Richard Cotton, W8DX, a former member of the Detroit Branch of the FCC, put on a lecture about satellite reception and transmission. Using only 60 watts, he described how he had contacted the West Coast from Michigan on 2 meters. He also showed how he had made WAS in 6 months by using satellites Oscar 5 and 6 for transmit and receive, and using only a full-wave rotary quad 2-meter antenna.

The members turned out in fine order, and our meeting room was full to capacity with 32 interested amateurs in attendance. After his discourse, Dick was most gracious to answer the many questions put forth by interested members.

- Len, W8IHX -

IF WE HAVE MISSED NEW MEMBERSHIP LISTINGS, OR HAVE MADE ERRORS IN THEM, PLEASE ADVISE HQ PROMPTLY. WE SURE HATE TO ADMIT THAT WE MAKE MISTAKES, BUT THE EVIDENCE IS OVERWHELMING. YOUR HELP WILL GET IT FIXED UP FAST!

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SHASTA CHAPTER #127

Shasta Chapter is "active and well" with 52 members. Current officers are:
President - K6RW George Fiedler
Vice President - WA6WJZ Al Biegler
Sec/Treasurer - KA6D Earl Wulff

During our December 4, 1983 meeting at the Elks Club in Redding, California, the chapter subscribed and quickly collected fifty dollars for its prorata portion for the purchase of a QCWA Banner for "Shasta Chapter #127. Our F. L. Patterson, N6AD, "Louie" will achieve 70 years in Ham Radio in 1984. Louie's eyesight and health may be failing but his spirit and positive attitudes are undaunted.

- Earl KA6D

HALIFAX CHAPTER #125

The quarterly meeting of the Halifax Chapter was scheduled to be held in Port Orange on Saturday, October 29, 1983. The speaker was to be Charles "Jake" Jacobsen, W4UMO, on "Fiber Optics/Laser Communications" featuring slides and a demo from Bell Telephone.

There have been more improvements and additions to the features of the K2BV Repeater. Frank, KB4T and his "crew" have earned a "well done" for providing the best repeater for miles around. And there's more to come. Input is needed as to whether the present Chapter weekly two meter net on Wednesdays at 7:30 PM is convenient as to day and time.

- Ernie Curry, W1KZS

A VERY LARGE NUMBER OF QCWA CHAPTERS SUBMITTED MATERIAL FOR PUBLICATION IN THIS NEWS. A FAIR PERCENTAGE OF THEM PREPARED MATERIAL SPECIALLY FOR US. THEY ARE FAVORED WHEN IT COMES TO PRINTING. CHAPTERS WHO SEND ONLY A NEWSLETTER WILL GET ATTENTION, BUT WE FEEL THAT SUCH NEWS IS OLD BEFORE WE PRINT IT, AND MEMBERS HAVE ALREADY SEEN THE MATERIAL. PLEASE WRITE SPECIAL COPY FOR THE NEWS. WE WILL EDIT IT SPARINGLY!